

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF COAL  
LOK SABHA  
STARRED QUESTION No. 117  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 25.07.2018**

**Production of Coal**

**\*117. SHRI CHANDRAKANT KHAIRE:**

Will the Minister of COAL be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Coal India Limited (CIL) has failed to increase the production and sale of coal;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;
- (c) whether less production of coal is directly affecting the power production; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof and the efforts made by the Government to increase the production of coal and the outcome thereof?

**ANSWER**

**MINISTER OF RAILWAYS, COAL, FINANCE & CORPORATE AFFAIRS  
(SHRI PIYUSH GOYAL)**

**(a) to (d):** A statement is laid on the Table of the House.

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**STATEMENT IN REPLY TO STARRED QUESTION NO. 117 ANSWERED ON 25.07.2018 ASKED BY SHRI CHANDRAKANT KHAIRE REGARDING “PRODUCTION OF COAL”.**

**(a) & (b):** Raw coal production of Coal India Limited (CIL) during last five years is shown in the table below:

<b>Year</b>	<b>Production (Million Te.)</b>
2013-14	462.422
2014-15	494.238
2015-16	538.754
2016-17	554.140
2017-18	567.365

It can be seen from the above table that raw coal production of Coal India Limited (CIL) has increased steadily over the years and during the last five years CIL has attained a compound annual growth rate (CAGR) of 4.2%. Further, while there was an increase of 105 MT in production between 2013-14 and 2017-18, production increased by only 31.15 MT in the preceding five years between 2009-10 to 2013-14.

Offtake of Coal by CIL has also steadily increased over the years. Supply of Coal by Coal India limited (CIL) in the year 2017-18 was 580.28 Million tonnes, whereas in the year 2016-17 it was 543.32 Million tonnes, thereby achieving a growth of about 7%. Between 2013-14 and 2017-18, CIL increased its offtake by 109.12 MT as compared to an increase of 55.04 MT achieved in the preceding five year between 2009-10 to 2013-14. In the 1st Quarter of current fiscal, CIL achieved an offtake of 153.43 Million tonnes registering a growth of about 12% over the corresponding period of the last year offtake of 137.42 Million tonnes.

**(c):** There is no shortage of coal for the Power Sector. In the beginning of 2018-19, Coal India Limited (CIL) had a pithead stock of 55.55 Million Tonne (MT) and stock at power house end was 16.27 MT. In the 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter of 2018-19, CIL dispatched a record quantity of 122.2 MT coal to Power Sector, thereby achieving a growth of 15% over the dispatch in the corresponding period of last year. The growth in dispatch of coal to Power Sector has helped coal based generation to achieve positive growth of 5.3% in the 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter of 2018-19. This is 101.3% of programme generation for coal based power.

**(d):** Due to concerted and co-ordinated efforts, the offtake/dispatch of coal of CIL has increased from 488.86 MT in 2014-15 to 580.04 MT in 2017-18. The progress of production/despatch of CIL is reviewed regularly. CIL has been directed to work out a definite action plan to ensure higher production and offtake in future. CIL has also been directed to ensure that necessary clearances for the existing coal mines are in place which will help in increasing the coal production in the short/medium term and also operationalizing the newly allocated coal mines for further increasing production in the medium term. New rail lines are being laid for smooth evacuation of increased coal production from the mines of growing coalfields of South Eastern Coalfields Limited (SECL), Mahanadi Coalfields Limited (MCL) and Central Coalfields Limited (CCL).

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