GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF COAL LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.4757 TO BE ANSWERED ON 24.03.2021

Production of coal

4757.SHRI MOHAN MANDAVI:

Will the Minister of Coal be pleased to state:

(a) the total production of raw coal in the year 2019-20;

(b) whether coal sector has played an important role to develop tribal areas of eastern and central India; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS, COAL AND MINES

(SHRI PRALHAD JOSHI)

(a): The total raw coal production in India in the year 2019-20 is 730.873 Million Tonne. (Provisional)

(b) & (c): Six of the eight operational states of Coal India Ltd (CIL) i.e. Madhya Pradesh, Maharashtra, Odisha, Jharkhand, Chattisgarh and West Bengal are among the ten states with highest tribal population as per Census 2011. CIL and its subsidiaries strive to enhance the welfare of the society through their Corporate Social Responsibility activities with priority being given to the people residing in close proximity of mines, which include a significant tribal population. These activities are aimed at improving the quality of life of people through providing basic amenities in areas such as healthcare, education, sanitation, supply of drinking water, rural development projects, livelihood & quality of life, promotion of sports etc. The major projects undertaken in these areas are as follows:

1. CIL's subsidiaries have constructed/renovated a total of 53,412 school toilets under SwachhVidyalayaAbhiyan. Out of these, 52,695 toilets are in the above six states.

2. CIL has undertaken holistic development works in 38 villages of Neturia block, Purulia district, West Bengal.

3. Central Coalfields Limited (CCL) along with Jharkhand State Govt. has set up Sports Academy at Hotwar, Ranchi with an objective of harnessing the sports talent of the state to nurture potential medal winners. Education, training and other facilities in different sports are provided to students who are mostly from tribal areas of Jharkhand. 4. CCL is running a scheme – CCL ke Lal and CCL Ki Laadli for coaching meritorious students of Jharkhand for engineering entrance examinations. Since the inception of the scheme, more than 250 students have got admissions into IITs, NITs and other reputed engineering colleges.

5. Distribution of 12,000 bicycles to households (mostly tribals) in Nuapada, Odisha for providing means of mobility and helping in livelihood generation has been completed by CIL

6. Mahanadi Coalfields Limited (MCL) has taken up Rs. 37 cr. worth of new projects in the current FY in the rural areas of Sundargarh district of Odisha which is covered under 'Scheduled Areas' as per Schedule V of the Constitution of India. The projects include rural infrastructure, model village project, rural road connectivity, low-cost vegetable farming for nutritional self-sufficiency for tribal households, promotion of indigenous seed cultivation and banking among marginalized farmers, repairs of schools, solar lighting etc.

7. CIL along with Bharat Heavy Elecricals Limited (BHEL) and Damodar Valley Corporation (DVC) has set up Kabiguru Industrial Training Centre (KGITC) in Bolpur, West Bengal for imparting skill development training to local youth.

8. South Eastern Coalfields Limited (SECL) has constructed JanjatiKalyan Kendra – a hostel and library facility for tribal students at Umaria and Dindori districts of Madhya Pradesh in year 2017-18. SECL is also providing financial support for nutritious food for 3 years of 75 students staying in the hostel.

9. CIL is constructing a hostel for tribal students at Akola, Maharashtra.

10. Besides the above, District Mineral fund (DMF) contributed by the Coal Sector, which is levied @ 30% of royalty in respect of mining leases granted before 12.01.2015 and @ 10% of royalty in respect of Mining lease granted on or after 12.01.2015, also plays an important role to develop such tribal areas.
