

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINES AND MINERALS
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2879
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PAYMENT TO RAILWAYS BY CCL .
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Will the Minister of MINES AND MINERALS be pleased to state:

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(a) The annual additional/demurrage payment made by the Central Coalfields Limited to the railways due to delayed loading of coal and other reasons during the last three years, as on date; and

(b) the positive steps taken by the Government to maintain austerity in the Company?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR MINES & MINERALS -

(SMT. RITA VERMA)

(a): Details of year-wise demurrage payment made by Central Coalfields Limited during the last three years are as follows:-

Year	(Rs. In lakh) Payment of Demurrage
1996-97	251.54
1997-98	369.14
1998-99	444.84
1999-2000	361.81

(upto
Oct.1999)

(b): While formulating the revenue budget of the coal company, the following austerity measures have been adopted :

(i) Reduction in other miscellaneous expenses like telephone, hiring of vehicle etc by 20% over last year.

(ii) Reduction in under loading/over loading and demurrage.

(iii) Quality improvement by atleast 10% over last year.

(iv) No increase in transportation cost.

(v) Restriction on overtime cost.

(vi) Deployment of employees on Sundays for maintenance work is being restricted to the minimum by staggering the maintenance work.

(vii) Restricting deployment of workers on Sunday for production to high productivity open cast mines.