

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:4355
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PROVISION OF RAKES FOR TRANSPORTATION OF SLACK COAL
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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the priority for providing the rakes for transportation of slack coal for brick kilns through railways has been withdrawn and as a result railway rakes are not being made available to Uttar Pradesh for transportation of coal;
- (b) if so, whether the Government of Uttar Pradesh has requested the Union Government to make the rakes available for transportation of slack coal; and
- (c) if so, the steps taken/proposed to be taken in this regard?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI R.VELU)

(a) No, Sir.

(b) & (c) Yes, Sir. Rakes are being allotted for non-core sector consumers including Brick industry on the basis of programmes submitted by coal companies. Allotments are made on the basis of seniority of programmes. No exceptions are made by the railways.