

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
COAL
LOK SABHA**

STARRED QUESTION NO:217
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IMPORT OF COAL
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Will the Minister of COAL be pleased to state:

- (a) whether large quantity of coal is imported every year for consumption by the thermal power plants in the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the quantity of coal supplied by the Coal India Limited(CIL) and its subsidiaries to the thermal power plants and the quantity of coal imported by them during the last three year, year-wise; and
- (d) the measures taken by CIL for washing of coal with a view to enhancing its purity and calorific value for the use of power generation units?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COAL (DR. DASARI NARAYANA RAO)

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

Statement referred to in reply to parts (a) to (d) of Lok Sabha Starred Question No. 217 for 6.12.2006

(a) & (b): The quantity of coal imported during the last five years for consumption by the thermal power plants in the country is as follows:-

S.No.	Year	Quantity (Million Tonnes)
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1.	2001-02	3.56
2.	2002-03	3.07
3.	2003-04	3.37
4.	2004-05	4.53
5.	2005-06	10.44

(c): Quantity of coal and coal products supplied by Coal India Limited(CIL) and its subsidiaries to the thermal power plains vis-a-vis imports for last three years is as follows:-

Figurcs in Million Tonnes		
Year	Supply from CIL	Receipt through Imports

2003-04	234.04	3.37
2004-05	249.26	4.53
2005-06	256.44	10.44

(d): The measures taken by Coal India Limited(CIL) for washing of coal with a view to enhancing its purity and calorific value for the use of power generation units are as follows:

- a) CIL has set up non-coking coal washerics and also converted a few coking coal washerics for washing non-coking coal.
- b) CIL has also initiated action to set up few non-coking coal washerics under Build-Own- Operate scheme (BOO).
- c) CIL has offered land and other infrastructural facilities to its linked consumers and private sector companies to set up washerics.