

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
COAL  
LOK SABHA**

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Coal Reserves

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**Will the Minister of COAL be pleased to state:**

- (a) the total quantum of coal reserves in the country;
- (b) the average consumption of coal per year during each of the last three years and the current year; and
- (c) the steps being taken by the Government to find out the alternative sources of energy so that the consumption of coal could be reduced?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) IN THE MINISTRY OF COAL, POWER , NEW AND RENEWABLE ENERGY AND MINES (SHRI PIYUSH GOYAL)

(a): The inventory of Geological Resources of Indian Coal (as on 01.04.2016) , prepared by the GSI on the basis of resources estimated by CMPDI, MECL, GSI, SCCL and some Private/Public Entrepreneurs up to the maximum depth of 1200 metre is around 308.80 billion tonne.

(b) : The consumption of coal for the last three years and current years is as under:

Year 2013-14 2014-15 2015-16 2016-17

Till Jan 2017

(Provisional)

Consumption of coal including imports (million tonne) 738.92 821.55 832.05 691.53

(c): The Government has up-scaled the target for overall renewable energy capacity by more than 5 times to 175 GW by the year 2022 which includes 100 GW from solar, 60 GW from wind, 10 GW from bio-power and 5 GW from small hydro-power.

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