

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
COAL
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3008
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VACANT POST OF CHAIRMAN AND CMD
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Will the Minister of COAL be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the posts of Chairman of Coal India Limited (CIL) and Chief Managing Directors of its ancillary companies have been lying vacant for long time;
- (b) If so, the reasons thereof;
- (c) whether Coal India Limited has suffered loss due to the said vacancies;
- (d) If so, the details thereof;
- (e) whether policy decisions are almost at a standstill on account of the said vacancies; and
- (f) if so, the steps being taken by the Government to fill up the vacant posts?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE (I/C) IN THE MINISTRY OF COAL, POWER AND NEW & RENEWABLE ENERGY SHRI PMUSH GOYAL)

(a) to (f) The post of Chairman and Managing Director (CMD), Coal India Limited (CIL) has been vacant since 26.06.2014. Additional Charge of the post has been assigned to the Additional Secretary in the Ministry. In order to have a wider field of selection, Government approved constitution of a Search-Cum-Selection Committee in the Public Enterprises Selection Board (PESB). Accordingly, the vacancy was advertised by PESB on 23.9.2014. On the basis of the interview held on 18.11.2014, the PESB has recommended Shri S. Bhattacharya, IAS, (AP: 85) for appointment as CMD, CIL. There is no post of CMD lying vacant at present in any of the subsidiary companies. No loss whatsoever has been suffered by CIL and no policy decision has been held up on account of the vacancy.