

States	Commodity	New mineral rich area identified
Haryana	Gypsum	Saharwa-Daryapur area, Hissar and Bhiwandi districts
Chhattisgarh	Gold ore	Sonadehi gold prospect, Kanker district
Madhya Pradesh	Phosphorite	Eastern extension of Khatama Block, in Dhanpura-Khatama and in Piploda block, Jhabua district
Madhya Pradesh	Zinc ore	Jangaldehi block, Chhindwara district
Madhya Pradesh	Bauxite	Tantar block, Dindori district
Maharashtra	Manganese ore	Savali and Mohgaon blocks, along the Parseoni extension, Nagpur district
Jharkhand	Gold ore	Sindaori east block, Ranchi district
West Bengal	Apatite	Bhelaidih Block, Purulia district
West Bengal	Talc	Gol-Karmi area, Darjeeling district
Uttar Pradesh	Gold ore	Sonapahari, Sonbhadra district
Meghalaya	Limestone	Umphyrluh block, Jaintia hills district

#### Allocation of coal linkages

\*232. SHRI Y.S. CHOWDARY: Will the Minister of COAL be pleased to state:

(a) the details of requests received from the States for allocation of coal linkages, State-wise, along with the status thereof; and

(b) whether there has been an inordinate delay in disposing of these requests, and if so, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF COAL (SHRI SHRIPRAKASH JAISWAL): (a) and (b) The State-wise details of requests received from the States for allocation of coal linkages are as under:-

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Sl.No.	State	Number of application
1.	Andhra Pradesh	5
2.	Assam	5
3.	Bihar	6
4.	Chhattisgarh	4
5.	Gujarat	1
6.	Haryana	2
7.	Karnataka	5
8.	Kerala	1
9.	Madhya Pradesh	5
10.	Maharashtra	13
11.	Odisha	1
12.	Punjab	3
13.	Rajasthan	6
14.	Tamil Nadu	4
15.	Uttar Pradesh	9
16.	West Bengal	5
TOTAL		75

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Coal India Limited (CIL) and its subsidiary coal companies have issued 176 Letters of Assurance (LoA) for coal supply, covering the capacity of about 1,08,000 MW. During the last three years of Eleventh Plan, capacity of about 26,000 MW has been commissioned and the balance capacity of about 82,000 MW is likely to be commissioned during Twelfth Plan period and beyond. Since LoAs amounting to more than 80,000 MW for setting up the power projects already exist and subsidiary companies of Coal India Limited (CIL) are reporting negative coal balance, there is prima facie no scope for the grant of new coal linkages/LoAs for Twelfth Plan Power Projects.

#### **Inclusion of railway works under MGNREGA**

\*233. DR. K.P. RAMALINGAM: Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government is considering to take up some of railway works under the Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Act (MGNREGA) and if so, the details thereof; and

(b) whether Government is also considering to take up the afforestation on railway land as well as the earthwork for railway embankments under MGNREGA and if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI PRADEEP JAIN): (a) and (b) The category of works taken up under Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Act (MGNREGA) is defined in Para 1B, Schedule I of the Act. Execution of railway projects is not amongst the list of such permissible works under MGNREGA. However, in accordance with the provisions of Para 1B (xvi) Schedule I of the Act, the Central Government can add any other work to the list of permissible work.

A request has been received from the Ministry of Railways on 9/7/2013 for executing works with unskilled labour element in some Railway projects. The matter is being jointly examined by the Ministry of Rural Development and the Ministry of Railways.