

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF COAL

RAJYA SABHA
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TO BE ANSWERED ON 23.03.2018

Expenditure on environmental measures

3257. SHRI SANJAY SINGH:

Will the **MINISTER OF COAL** be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that expenditure incurred on Environmental Measures and Subsistence Control (EMSC) under the Central Sector schemes in coal mines during the last three years is nil; and

(b) if so, the reasons therefor?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF RAILWAYS AND COAL (SHRI PIYUSH GOYAL)

(a) to (b) : All EMSC Schemes were merged in the Master Plan, dealing with fire, subsidence, Rehabilitation and Diversion of surface infrastructure in Jharia and Raniganj Coalfields within the leasehold of areas of ECL and BCCL, sanctioned by the Government of India in August, 2009.

As per the provisions of the Master Plan, Coal India Limited was to contribute Rs.350 crores per annum from their internal resources and the expenditure beyond Rs 350 Cr is provided from the central sector schemes.

Due to delay in land acquisition by state agencies of Jharkhand and West Bengal, the expenditure on account of Master Plan has not exceeded Rs 350 Cr and was Rs 312.93 Cr in 2015-16, Rs. 271.23 Cr in 2016-17 and Rs. 287.32 Cr in 2017-18 (till 1.1.2018) which was funded from CIL. As such the expenditure from Central Sector Schemes on EMSC schemes for last 3 years is nil.
