

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF MINES**

**RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2355
TO BE ANSWERED ON 8.8.2016**

Arrangement regarding transfer of payables to Odisha

2355. SHRI NARENDRA KUMAR SWAIN:

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

- (a) Whether the Ministry would clarify that any arrangement has been made for transfer of Rs. 560.00crore payable by M/s Hindalco on account of Talabira-I to the State of Odisha; and
- (b) If not, the immediate steps taken on this score?

ANSWER

**THE MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) FOR MINES, POWER, COAL AND
NEW & RENEWABLE ENERGY (SHRI PIYUSH GOYAL)**

(a) & (b) Talabira-I coal block in the State of Odisha was allocated to M/s Hindalco Industries Ltd. in allocation letter dated 25.02.1994 issued by Ministry of Coal. Hon'ble Supreme Court in its order dated 24.09.2014 passed in Writ Petition (Criminal) No.120/2012 and other connected matters cancelled allocation of 204 coal blocks alongwith Talabira-I and also directed the prior allottees of cancelled producing coal blocks to pay additional levy at the rate of Rs.295/- per metric tonne of coal extracted since commencement of coal production till 31.03.2015. As per Rule 18 of the Coal Mines (Special Provisions) Rules, 2014, the additional levy with respect to Schedule II coal mine shall be deposited by the prior allottee with the Central Government. Accordingly, M/s Hindalco Industries Ltd. has deposited Rs.600,05,64,910.00 towards additional levy.
