## Coal Off-take During The Last Quarter of The Financial Year Goes Up

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The Total coal off-take in the country in the last quarter (4<sup>th</sup> quarter of financial year 2020-21) was more than the previous three quarters. The details of total coal dispatch/ off-take during the last 4 quarters of 2020-21 are as under:

| Quarter (Financial year 2020-2021) | Offtake (In Million Tonnes) |
|------------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| 1 <sup>st</sup> (April-June)       | 144.343                     |
| 2 <sup>nd</sup> (July-September)   | 158.466                     |
| 3 <sup>rd</sup> (October-December) | 186.821                     |
| 4 <sup>th</sup> (January-March)    | 201.258                     |

As per Central Electricity Authority (CEA), the quarter-wise generation from coal based power plants during the last year 2020-21 and current year 2021-22 (Apr'21-Jun'21) are as under:

| Year    | Quarter                            | Coal based generation (in BU)* |  |
|---------|------------------------------------|--------------------------------|--|
|         | 1 <sup>st</sup> (April-June)       | 198.9                          |  |
| 2020-21 | 2 <sup>nd</sup> (July-September)   | 230.3                          |  |
|         | 3 <sup>rd</sup> (October-December) | 244.4                          |  |
|         | 4 <sup>th</sup> (January-March)    | 277.3                          |  |
| 2021-22 | 1 <sup>st</sup> (April-June) (*)   | 256.7                          |  |

## (\*) Provisional based on actual- cum-assessment)

The Coal based power generation has shown a steady increase during each quarter of 2020-21. Further, during 1<sup>st</sup> quarter of 2021-22, coal based generation has increased by about 29% vis-à-vis same period last year (i.e. 1<sup>st</sup> quarter of 2020-21).

This information was given by the Minister of Coal, Mines and Parliamentary Affairs Shri Pralhad Joshi in Lok Sabha on 28 July, 2021.

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