

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF COAL

LOK SABHA
STARRED QUESTION NO. *244
ANSWERED ON 05/08/2026

LAND ACQUISITION BY SECL IN KUSMUNDA AREA

†*244. Shri Amra Ram:

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

- (a) the details of the land acquired by the South Eastern Coalfields Limited (SECL) under Coal India Limited in the Kusmunda area particularly in Jarhajel village along with the timeline of land acquisition;
- (b) the details of land acquired under Award No. 02/A67/82-83 on 27 April, 1983 along with the policy under which the said land was acquired;
- (c) whether 25.80 acres of additional land at Jarhajel was acquired by the Sub-Divisional Officer (SDM) of Katghora, Korba District, Chhattisgarh, vide letter No./A.V.A/Bhoo-Aarjan/85/830 dated 26.07.1985 and if so, the details of land acquisition award;
- (d) whether any compensation was given to the effected landowners in the year 1986 and if so, the details thereof;
- (e) the number of people whom to be given employment in lieu of the above-mentioned land acquisition in the years 1983 and 1985 along with the details of people still deprived of employment;
- (f) the details of land acquisition documents of the land measuring 31 decimals in Khasra Nos. 107/21, 124/1, 125/1 in the said village; and
- (g) the reasons for non-rehabilitation of the displaced persons of Jarhajel village inspite of having entire land acquisition of the village?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF COAL AND MINES
(SHRI G. KISHAN REDDY)

- (a) to (g): A statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (g) OF THE LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 244 ANSWERED ON 05.08.2026 ASKED BY SHRI AMRA RAM, HON'BLE MP REGARDING 'LAND ACQUISITION BY SECL IN KUSMUNDA AREA'.

(a): The details of land acquired by National Coal Development Corporation (NCDL), later Western Coalfields Limited (WCL), and subsequently inherited by South Eastern Coalfields Limited (SECL) in Jarhajer village of Kushmunda Area along with the details of timeline of land acquisition, are as under:

S. No.	Act of Acquisition	Date of Acquisition	Area (in Acre)
1	Madhya Pradesh Land Revenue Code (MPLRC), 1959	1962-63 (NCDL)	10.39
2	Coal Bearing Areas (Acquisition and Development) (CBA) Act, 1957	11.06.1964 (NCDL)	55.45 (including land of vill. Barpali)
3	CBA Act, 1957	03.07.1978 (WCL)	185.96
4	MPLRC, 1959	27.04.1983 (WCL)	132.49
5	MPLRC, 1959	27.04.1983 (WCL)	25.80
	Total		410.09

(b): The details of land acquired vide Award No. 02/A67/82-83 dated 27.04.1983 under Madhya Pradesh Land Revenue Code (MPLR) Code, 1959 are as under:

Sl. no.	Name of Village	Area in Acre
1	Barpali	3.07
2	Barampur	30.30
3	Jarahajer	158.29
4	Khamharia	245.68
	Total	437.34

(c) and (d): The SDO, Katghora sent the Compensation Patrak of above said 25.80 acres of land to WCL vide letter No./A.V.A/Bhoo-Aarjan/85/830 dated 26.07.1985. Land compensation of above said land was paid to SDO, Katghora in 1985 for distribution to the landowners.

(e): SECL had provided employment to 209 villagers. Subsequently, due to persistent requests from villagers, a one-time window was opened in year 2022. After scrutiny, 03 more persons were found eligible for employment against this land.

(f): The details of plots acquired by the then NCDC are as under:

Plot No.	Area Acquired in year 1962-63 under MPLRC, as per Patrak-13 (In Acre)	Area Acquired under CBA act, SO No. 2126 dated 11.06.1964, as per Statement-VI (In Acre)	Total Acquired land (In Acre)
107/1	0.10	10.00	10.10
124	0.22	0.20	0.42
125	0.03	0.29	0.32

(g): The land of Jarhajel village was acquired between the years 1960 to 1983. The benefits admissible under the provisions, rules and guidelines applicable at the relevant time of acquisition have been extended to the project affected persons.
