



Post GST reduction of incidence of Tax on Coal Consumers

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In pre GST regime there was Excise Duty on Coal @ 6% , Stowing Excise Duty @ Rs. 10 per tonne of coal production, VAT@ 5% (on intra-state sale), Central Sales Tax @ 2% (on inter-state sale, on submission of Form C) . Post implementation of GST all the above mentioned taxes and levies have been subsumed and **GST @ 5% is being charged to consumers**. This was stated by Shri Piyush Goyal, Minister of State (IC) for Power, Coal & New and Renewable Energy and Mines in a written reply to a question in the Lok Sabha today.

The Minister further stated that Clean Environment Cess @ Rs 400 per tonne was payable prior to GST which has been repealed and a new levy namely GST Compensation Cess has been introduced @ 400 per tonne of coal. However, previously VAT/CST was **charged on Clean Environment Cess but no such taxes are levied on GST Compensation Cess**.

Following Steps have been taken by Ministry of Coal to facilitate the stakeholders in the implementation of GST:-

- i. A facilitation cell, headed by JS & FA, Ministry of Coal and facilitation cells in CIL & its subsidiaries and NLCIL are functional. Toll free number has also been provided.
- ii. Various meetings at the level of Minister, Secretary & Additional Secretary were held with CPSEs and various stakeholders.
- iii. Help desk has been provided to the Stakeholders/ contractors for facilitating registration on GST Portal/ clarifications.
- iv. The FAQs have been uploaded on the websites of CIL Subsidiaries, which were raised during the interaction.
- v. Awareness program has been organized with customers and suppliers at various places to sensitize them for migrating to GST system.
- vi. Training session was also conducted in association with CBEC for the officers / officials of the Ministry of Coal & its CPSEs .
- vii. Around 160 training programs were organized by Coal India Limited & its subsidiaries and NLC India Limited.

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