GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF POWER

RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.735 TO BE ANSWERED ON 27.07.2015

POWER SITUATION IN WEST BENGAL AND MAHARASHTRA

735. SHRI VIVEK GUPTA: SHRI AVINASH PANDEY:

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

- (a) the present status of power generation in West Bengal and Maharashtra;
- (b) whether Government proposes to assist these States to augment its power generation capacity;
- (c) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;
- (d) whether some regions in these States have poor potential for power generation and are facing power shut down for hours together daily; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof along with the remedial measures being taken by Government to address the power crisis in these States?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) FOR POWER, COAL AND NEW & RENEWABLE ENERGY

(SHRI PIYUSH GOYAL)

- (a): The total power generation from conventional sources (above 25 MW) from stations located in West Bengal and Maharashtra during 2015-16 (up to June, 2015) was 11,952.85 Million Unit (MU) and 28,888.22 MU respectively.
- **(b) & (c):** During the 12th Plan period likely benefit to the State of West Bengal from Central Generating Stations is 302 MW out of which 166 MW (share) has already been commissioned. In addition, a capacity addition of 250 MW (Thermal) in State Sector and 600 MW (Thermal) in Private Sector has already been commissioned.

During the 12th Plan period likely benefit to the State of Maharashtra from Central Generating Stations is 1,335.5 MW out of which 810 MW (share) has already been commissioned. In addition, a capacity addition of 1,160 MW (Thermal) in State Sector and 4,960 MW (Thermal-including share from UMPP) in Private Sector has already been commissioned.

(d) & (e): Electricity being a concurrent subject, supply and distribution of electricity to various consumers including villages within the State / UT is within the purview of the respective State Government/State Power Utility. The Central Government, however, supplements the efforts of the State Governments by establishing power plants and transmission systems in the Central Sector through Central Power Sector Undertakings (CPSUs).
