GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF NEW AND RENEWABLE ENERGY

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UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1423

TO BE ANSWERED ON 24.11.2016

DEVELOPMENT OF WIND POWER PROJECTS

1423. **DR. K. GOPAL:**

Will the Minister of NEW AND RENEWABLE ENERGY be pleased to state:

- (a) the country's wind energy potential and its expected contribution to meet country's energy needs by 2022;
- (b) whether the Government's draft guidelines for the development of on shore wind power projects lays the onus of securing grid connectivity and transportation on the developers, which experts say could dampen investors interest in the sector, if so, the details thereof:
- (c) whether the Government has sought the view of the stakeholders on the draft guidelines issued in this regard; and
- (d) if so, the response received by the Government from various stakeholders in this regard?

ANSWER

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

- (a): The wind power potential in the country at 100 meter above ground level is over 302 GW. It is targeted to reach 60 GW of wind power installed capacity in the country by 2022.
- **(b):** The Guidelines do not intend to revise any provisions pertaining to grid connectivity and transportation under various rules and regulations.
- (c) & (d): Yes Madam. The draft Guidelines were uploaded on Ministry of New and Renewable Energy (MNRE)'s website seeking comments from stakeholders. Comments were received from Industry Associations, Autonomous Bodies, Academia, Manufacturers, Developers, Government Departments, etc. Final Guidelines were issued on 22 October 2016.
