GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF POWER

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.2721 TO BE ANSWERED ON 01.12.2016

COOPERATION WITH SWEEDEN IN THE FIELD OF ENERGY

2721. SHRI PARVESH SAHIB SINGH:

Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

- (a) whether India and Sweeden have recently agreed to enhance cooperation in the energy sector during a recent visit by him to that country, if so, the details thereof;
- (b) the specific areas in which the cooperation between the countries is aimed at;
- (c) the benefits likely to be accrued to the country as a result of this collaboration;
- (d) whether there are any other existing agreements with Sweeden on the subject of energy; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

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

(SHRI PIYUSH GOYAL)

- (a): During the recent official visit to Sweden, our Government invited Swedish companies to partner with Indian companies and to make cost competitive products for the Indian consumer in India.
- (b): Diverse areas of cooperation spanning, inter-alia, waste-to-energy; energy efficiency; grid integration of renewables; electro-mobility; smart Grids; smart metering; solar energy; water treatment; and efficient mining were discussed.
- (c): The Government aims to promote new technology for clean energy, waste to energy, enhancing energy efficiency, energy efficient mining, mine automation and optimization and to promote investment in renewable energy.
- (d) & (e): A Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) on Cooperation in the field of Renewable Energy has been signed with Sweden in April 2010 to promote bilateral cooperation between the two countries towards development of bilateral clean and renewable energy sources. The MoU envisages joint development of activities for promotion of New and Renewable Energy.
