GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF POWER

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.4096 TO BE ANSWERED ON 10.08.2017

COAL FOR POWER PLANTS

4096. DR. KAMBHAMPATI HARIBABU:

Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the dependency on coal for power has decreased during the last three years;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) if not, the details of coal consumed by the power sector during the last three years;
- (d) whether the Government has proposed any new coal power plants during the last two years; 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) & (b): The share of coal in electricity generation has remained largely same during the last 3 years. The details of electricity generation from coal during the current year and the last three years, are given at Annexure-I.
- (c): The details of coal consumed by the power plants during the last three years and current year, are given at Annexure-II.
- (d) & (e): As per the section 7 of Electricity Act 2003, "Any generating company may establish, operate and maintain a generating station without obtaining a license under this Act if it complies with the technical standards relating to connectivity with the grid". Therefore, Generation has been de-licensed and decision of setting up of Coal based Power Plants lies with the individual developers/investors.

ANNEXURE-I

ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) & (b) OF UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 4096 TO BE ANSWERED IN THE LOK SABHA ON 10.08.2017.

The details of source wise electricity generation

Fuel	2017-18 (upto-June. 17)*		2016-17		2015-16		2014-15	
	Generation (MU)	Share in Total Generation (%)	Generation (MU)	Share in Total Generation (%)	Generation (MU)	Share in Total Generation (%)	Generation (MU)	Share in Total Generation (%)
COAL	240106.97	72.09	910135.81	73.28	862015.25	73.45	800333.88	72.07

^{*} PROVISIONAL BASED ON ACTUAL-CUM-ASSESMENT

ANNEXURE-II

ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (c) OF UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 4096 TO BE ANSWERED IN THE LOK SABHA ON 10.08.2017.

The quantity of coal consumed by the power plants

Year	Coal Consumption (Million Tonnes)			
2014-15	530.4			
2015-16	545.9			
2016-17	574.9			
2017-18 (Apr-June, 2017)	151.8			
