

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF POWER**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.1644
TO BE ANSWERED ON 28.12.2017**

DEPENDENCE ON IMPORTED COAL

1644. SHRI R. GOPALAKRISHNAN:

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

- (a) whether a number of power plants are dependent on imported coal in the country;**
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor, plant-wise;**
- (c) whether the Government has taken any steps for freeing these power plants from dependence on imported coal and to utilize the domestically produced coal; and**
- (d) if so, the details thereof?**

A N S W E R

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

(SHRI R. K. SINGH)

(a) to (d) : Yes, Madam. Some power plants have been designed to operate on imported coal and hence, there are technical constraints in operating them on domestic coal. As per reports with the Central Electricity Authority (CEA), the details of coal based thermal power plants designed on imported coal are given at Annex. In addition, some power plants use imported coal for blending with domestic coal.

Ministry of Coal, in May 2017, has issued new coal linkage policy for Power Sector – 2017 SHAKTI POLICY. Under Clause B(vii) of the policy, a provision has been made for allocating coal linkage through bidding process to Independent Power Producers (IPPs) having Power Purchase Agreements (PPAs) based on imported coal, with full pass through of cost saving to consumers.

Further, several State Sector projects which were envisaged on imported coal and now propose to use domestic coal have requested for accord of domestic coal linkage. These requests are considered under Clause B (i) of SHAKTI POLICY.

ANNEX

ANNEX REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (d) OF UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1644 TO BE ANSWERED IN THE LOK SABHA ON 28.12.2017.

Coal based thermal power plants designed on imported coal

Sl. No.	Plant Name	Capacity (MW)	Utility
1.	Sikka TPS	500	Gujarat State Electricity Corporation Limited
2.	Trombay TPS	1250	Tata Power
3.	Ratnagiri	1200	JSW Energy
4.	Torangullu	860	JSW Energy
5.	Mundra TPS*	4620	Adani Power
6.	Uduppi TPS	1200	Adani Power
7.	Mundra UMPP	4000	Coastal Gujarat Power Ltd.
8.	Salaya TPS	1200	Essar
9.	Simhapuri TPS	600	Simhapuri Energy
10.	Thamminapatnam TPS	300	Meenakshi Energy
11.	Mutiara TPS	1200	Costal Energen
12.	ITPCL-Cuddalore	1200	IL & FS

(*: Out of 4620 MW, 1980 MW is designed on 70:30 blending ratio.)
