LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 270

TO BE ANSWERED ON 18.12.2017

SUPPLY OF GAS TO POWER PLANTS

270. SHRI KUNDARIYA MOHAN BHAI KALYANJI BHAI: SHRI MANSUKHBHAI DHANJIBHAI VASAVA:

Will the **Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS** be pleased to state:

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- (a) whether gas based power industries have been badly affected and several plants are lying idle/closed and production and profitability of the companies adversely impacted due to non-availability of gas supply and if so, the details thereof and the reaction of the Government thereto along with the steps taken/being taken in this regard;
- (b) whether various State Governments including Gujarat have requested the Government to either allocate Administered Price Mechanism gas or provide an incentive or allow such gas based capacity to run on gas available in the market and its generation be purchased by Central Public Sector Undertakings and if so, the details thereof along with response of the Government thereto; and
- (c) whether power plants of Gujarat are being supplied gas by Indraprastha Gas Limited (IGL) and if so, the details thereof, along with the quantum of gas supplied during the last three years and the current year, plant-wise; and
- (d) whether the gas is reportedly being short supplied by the IGL and if so, the details thereof along with action taken by the Government in this regard?

ANSWER

पेट्रो लयम और प्राकृतिक गैस मंत्री (श्री धर्मेन्द्र प्रधान)

MINISTER OF PETROLEUM & NATURAL GAS (SHRI DHARMENDRA PRADHAN)

- (a): Domestic natural gas is allocated as per the prevailing gas allocation policy depending upon the availability and balance demand is being met through the import of Liquefied Natural Gas (LNG) which is imported under open general license on the terms and conditions mutually agreed upon between the buyers and sellers.
- (b): At present there is no such proposal under consideration to provide an incentive or allow such gas based capacity to run on gas available in the market and its generation be purchased by Central Public Sector Undertakings. However, gas based power plants are free to import the RLNG.
- (c) & (d): Indraprastha Gas Limited (IGL) is not supplying gas to any Power plants in Gujarat.