

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF COAL**

**LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.2708  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 03.01.2018**

**Price Fluctuation of Imported Coal**

**2708. SHRI S.P. MUDDAHANUME GOWDA:**

Will the Minister of COAL be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has decided to insulate Ultra Mega Power Plants (UMPPs) from steep fluctuations in prices of imported coal and if so, the details thereof ;
- (b) the formula to be used to index costs of imported coal used in such UMPPs;
- (c) whether such insulation of imported coal could also be extended to all other coal-based power plants, irrespective of their size; and
- (d) if not, the reasons therefor?

**ANSWER  
MINISTER FOR RAILWAYS AND COAL  
(SHRI PIYUSH GOYAL)**

(a) to (d) : Based on the recommendation of the Expert Committee and consultations with stakeholders, Standard Bidding Documents (SBDs) and Guidelines for Ultra Mega Power Plants (UMPPs) based on allocated domestic coal block and for UMPP based on imported coal are under finalization.

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