

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF POWER**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.1620
TO BE ANSWERED ON 20.12.2018**

POWER DEMAND

1620. SHRI G. HARI:

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

- (a) whether there has been a 12.6 percent year-on-year rise in power demand during the first fifteen days of the third quarter of financial year (2018-19) ;**
- (b) if so, the details thereof;**
- (c) whether as on October 16, 2018 as many as 33 power plants, had fuel stock to last for less than seven days, if so, the details thereof;**
- (d) whether at the end of September, 22 generating stations were running with such critical stock; and**
- (e) 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) & (b) : The energy availability in the electricity grid during the first fifteen days of the third quarter of the current financial year 2018-19 was 56,419 Million Units (MU) as against 50,113 MU during the same period of 2017-18 showing a growth of 12.6%.

(c) to (e) : The number of coal based power plants having coal stock less than seven days were 33 and 22 as on 16.10.2018 and 30.09.2018 respectively. With the improvement in coal supply from domestic coal companies, the number of coal based power plants having coal stock less than 7 days have further reduced to 14 as on 13.12.2018. The coal stock in power plants have also increased from 10.2 Million Tonne (MT) sufficient for 6 days as on 16.10.2018 to 14.718 MT sufficient for 9 days as on 13.12.2018.
