GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF POWER

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.857 TO BE ANSWERED ON 07.02.2019

SHORTAGE OF THERMAL FUEL

857. SHRI MALLIKARJUN KHARGE:

Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

- (a) the total thermal power generated in the country, State-wise, as on date;
- (b) whether many thermal power plants are not getting sufficient quantity and quality of coal since last year and if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the steps taken by the Government to address the problems faced by these power plants; and
- (d) the measures adopted to provide incentives and other encouragements to the major power producing States in the country?

ANSWER

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

(SHRI R.K. SINGH)

- (a): Details of total thermal power generation in the country, State-wise, from 25 MW & above capacity power plants during the current year 2018-19 (up to December 2018) is given at Annexure-I.
- (b): Coal is supplied to power plants as per the Fuel Supply Agreements (FSA) between power producer and the coal companies. The details of coal receipt at power plants during last year and current year is given at Annexure-II. With this receipt of coal at power plants, the power requirement in the Electricity grid has been met.

With the concerted efforts of Ministry of Power, Ministry of Coal and Railways, the coal stock available with the power plants monitored in Central Electricity Authority (CEA) on daily basis has improved to 20.77 MT as on 03.02.2019 which is sufficient for 13 days of generation as compared to 14.6 MT for 9 days as on the same day last year.

(c) & (d): In order to address the coal quality issue, it has been decided by the Ministry of Power and the Ministry of Coal that the power utilities would appoint a Third Party Sampler namely Central Institute of Mining and Fuel Research (CIMFR) for Third Party Sampling and Analysis of coal at loading-end as well as at unloading-end. Based on the Third Party Sampling analysis results furnished by CIMFR, credit/debit note are issued by coal companies to the power plants in case of difference between declared grade of coal and analyzed grade of coal.

An Inter-Ministerial Sub-Group comprising representatives of Ministry of Power, Ministry of Coal and Ministry of Railways, CEA, CIL and SCCL monitors coal supply position on regular basis. Based on the decision taken in the meeting, CIL/SCCL augment supply of coal and the Railways give priority in supply of rakes to the power plants having less coal stock.

Following steps have also been taken by the Government to address the problems faced by thermal power plants:

- (i) Phase out of erstwhile Letter of Authorisation (LoA) -Fuel Supply Agreement (FSA) regime and Introduction of new SHAKTI POLICY-2017.
- (ii) Provision of Bridge Linkages to allottees whose mines are under development.
- (iii) Recommendation of the High Level Empowered Committee to address the issues of stressed Thermal Power Projects.

ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (a) OF UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 857 TO BE ANSWERED IN THE LOK SABHA ON 07.02.2019.

State-wise Thermal Generation during current year 2018-19(Up to December 2018)

State	Generation (Million Unit)	
ANDAMAN NICOBAR	99.98	
ANDHRA PRADESH	46292.41	
ASSAM	4053.81	
BIHAR	23730.92	
CHHATTISGARH	88426.9	
DELHI	6155.66	
DVC	26490.02	
GUJARAT	69052.52	
HARYANA	19520.77	
JHARKHAND	10254.36	
KARNATAKA	21437.68	
KERALA	1.23	
MADHYA PRADESH	88157.25	
MAHARASHTRA	91981.11	
ORISSA	29624.07	
PUDUCHERRY	181.45	
PUNJAB	20932.74	
RAJASTHAN	35635.77	
TAMIL NADU	52398.65	
TELANGANA	35319.44	
TRIPURA	4873.95	
UTTAR PRADESH	91546.28	
UTTARAKHAND	880.81	
WEST BENGAL	38385.74	
Total	805433.52	

Note:

- 1. Gross Generation from Thermal stations of 25 MW and above only.
- 2. Figures given above indicate gross generation of all power stations (Central, State& Private Sector) located geographically in the respective State/UT.

ANNEXURE-II

ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (b) OF UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 857 TO BE ANSWERED IN THE LOK SABHA ON 07.02.2019.

Coal Receipt at the Power Plants (MT)

SI.			2018-19
No.		2017-18	(upto December)
1.	CIL	416.0	337.2
2.	SCCL	52.1	40.9
3.	Captive	31.6	29.3
4.	E Auction	39.0	22.0
5.	Total Domestic Receipt [1 to 4]	538.6	429.3
6.	Imported (Blending)	17.0	15.3
7.	Imported (Imported coal plants)	39.4	29.4
8.	Total Imported Receipt [6+7]	56.4	44.6
9.	Total Coal Receipt [5+8]	595.0	473.9
