

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF POWER**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.3075
TO BE ANSWERED ON 11.07.2019**

DEPENDENCE ON IMPORTED COAL

†3075. SHRI CHANDAN SINGH:

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

- (a) whether a number of power generating projects in the country are dependant on imported coal;**
- (b) if so, the details thereof, project-wise;**
- (c) whether imported coal has increased the cost of power generation and consumers have to pay for this; and**
- (d) if so, the details thereof along with the increase in the cost of electricity?**

A N S W E R

THE MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) FOR POWER, NEW & RENEWABLE ENERGY AND THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR SKILL DEVELOPMENT & ENTREPRENEURSHIP

(SHRI R.K. SINGH)

(a) & (b) : Yes, Sir. Some power plants have been designed to operate on imported coal. As per data available with the Central Electricity Authority (CEA), the details of coal based thermal power plants designed to operate on imported coal are given at Annexure. In addition, some power plants use imported coal for blending with domestic coal.

(c) & (d) : The variable charge of a thermal power plant depends upon various factors like price, gross calorific value and transportation cost of imported and domestic coal. The power purchased by Distribution licensee for supply to consumers is based on the merit order despatch system. Accordingly, the cheapest power is scheduled first and the costliest may or may not get scheduled and is dependent upon the electricity demand of the consumer.

ANNEXURE

ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) & (b) OF UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3075 TO BE ANSWERED IN THE LOK SABHA ON 11.07.2019.

Coal based thermal power plants in the country are designed to operate on imported coal

Sl. No.	Name of Thermal Power Station	Capacity (MW)
1	Sikka TPS	500
2	Trombay TPS	1250
3	Ratnagiri TPS	1200
4	Torangullu SBU-I TPS	260
5	Torangullu SBU-II TPS	600
6	Mundra TPS	4620
7	Udupi TPS	1200
8	Mundra UMTTP	4000
9	ESSAR (Salaya) TPS	1200
10	Simhapuri TPS	600
11	Thaminapattnam TPS	300
12	Muthiara TPS	1200
13	ITPCL-Cuddalore TPS	1200
