GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF POWER

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.3998 TO BE ANSWERED ON 12.12.2019

PURCHASE OF POWER EQUIPMENTS

3998. SHRI Y.S. AVINASH REDDY:

Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to make it mandatory to Thermal and Hydro Power producers to purchase power equipments from local markets;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government made sure while issuing the guidelines that the equipments that power producers are going to purchase are made available in the local markets;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the measures being taken by the Government to make sure that the equipments are made available in the local markets?

ANSWER

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): In pursuance of the Public Procurement (Preference to Make in India) Orders dated 15.06.2017 and 28.05.2018, notified by Department of Industrial Policy and Promotion (DIPP), Ministry of Power, Government of India notified order dated 28.12.2018 in respect of Thermal Power Sector & order dated 20.12.2018 in respect of Hydro Power Sector to provide for purchase preference (linked with local content). As per orders dated 28.12.2018 & 20.12.2018, preference shall be given by public procuring entities to domestically manufactured products used in Thermal and Hydro Power Sector as per the reference order of DIPP. Purchase preference shall be given to local suppliers in procurements done by departments or attached or subordinate offices, or autonomous body controlled by the Ministry of Power and includes Government companies as defined in the Companies Act.

(c) to (e): Ministry of Power, Government of India, while issuing the orders mentioned in reply to parts (a) & (b) above, have taken into consideration the aspect of indigenous availability of power equipment, current import content and the target of local content for next five years, including assessment by manufactures / suppliers for the same. Measures taken by Government of India for purchase preference (linked with local content) would induce indigenous production of such equipments.

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