GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF POWER

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.489 TO BE ANSWERED ON 23.07.2015

ADVISORY COMMITTEE FOR REFORMS

489. SHRIMATI POONAMBEN MAADAM:

Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has set up any advisory Committee to discuss issues relating to the power sector and suggest reforms:
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether this initiative will solve the problems of the sector including the problem of fuel shortage threatening the viability of the sector; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

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

(SHRI PIYUSH GOYAL)

(a) to (d): In order to expedite resolution of various issues related to Generation, Transmission and Distribution of Power, an "Advisory Group for Integrated Development of Power, Coal and Renewable Energy" was set up under the chairmanship of Shri Suresh Prabhu.

The Advisory Group deliberated on matters, inter-alia, related to evolving a Comprehensive Policy Framework for integrated development of Power, Coal and New & Renewable Energy sector, including (i) optimal Energy Mix, (ii) State Action Plan for 24x7 Power to All, (iii) requisite Transmission and Distribution infrastructure, (iv) development of Renewable Energy, (v) enhancing/optimising fuel supplies, (vi) energy efficiency, (vii) Research & Development and (viii) innovation and new technologies, etc.

The Group has submitted its report to Ministry of Power.
