GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF POWER

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.628 TO BE ANSWERED ON 23.07.2015

FUNDS FOR NEW THERMAL POWER PLANTS

628. SHRI GUTHA SUKENDER REDDY: SHRI PRABHAKAR REDDY KOTHA:

Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Telangana/Andhra Pradesh Governments have requested the Union Government for release of funds for establishment of new Thermal Power Plants and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the Union Government has directed the State Governments for replacement of old and outdated Thermal Units with new supercritical thermal units and the details thereof; and

(c) whether these States have requested the Central Government for release of funds and provide incentives for import of technology and machinery and if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

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

(SHRI PIYUSH GOYAL)

(a): No, Madam.

(b): Andhra Pradesh Power Generation Corporation Limited (APGENCO) has informed that Ministry of Environment and Forests and Climate Change (MoEF & CC) while issuing the Environment clearance to the Dr. Narla Tata Rao Thermal Power Station (Dr. NTTPS) Stage-V (1x800 MW), has set out specific conditions, one of which is "considering the pollution load of the old Units (I&II) and proximity to Vijayawada (New Capital of Andhra Pradesh), the Expert Appraisal Committee (EAC) recommended to phase out the units I and II at the earliest".

Central Electricity Authority had recommended to Telangana State Power Generation Corporation Limited (TSGENCO) to explore the possibility of replacing Kothagudem TPS (4x60 MW + 4x120 MW) units with 660 MW or 800 MW Super Critical units.

(c): No, Madam.

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