GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF POWER

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.3109 TO BE ANSWERED ON 17.12.2015

INTER-GRID CONNECTIVITY

3109. SHRI ELUMALAI V.:

Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

- (a) whether power supply from central power grid to the State from the power stations situated outside the State is suffering due to incomplete grid connectivity;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the steps taken by the Government to strengthen the grid connectivity between southern grid with power grid of other regions;
- (d) whether the Government of Tamil Nadu has requested the Government to provide electricity from central pool to tackle the present situation of power cut in the State; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof and the action taken thereof?

ANSWER

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

(SHRI PIYUSH GOYAL)

(a) & (b): By and large, there is no constraint in supply of power from central power grid to the states from power stations situated in the NEW Grid (Northern, Eastern, Western and North Eastern grids). However, some constraint is being experienced in power transfer from NEW Grid to the states in the Southern Region.

- (c): A number of transmission lines have been taken up from time to time to strengthen and enhance the transmission capacity for import of power to Southern Grid from the NEW Grid. Since July, 2014, with the commissioning of 765 kV Transmission lines of Wardha-Aurangabad, Aurangabad-Sholapur, Sholapur Pune, Raichur Kurnool and Kolhapur Narendra, the transfer capacity to the southern grid has increased from 3450 MW to 5900 MW. This would be further enhanced to about 18000 MW in different phases on completion of the following transmission lines which are already under implementation:
 - (1) Angul Srikakulam Vemagiri 765kV D/c line along with realignment works at Vemagiri and system strengthening beyond Vemagiri i.e. Vemagiri-C'peta-Cuddapah 765kv D/C line.
 - (2) Wardha Nizamabad Hyderabad 765kV D/c line.
 - (3) Warora Pool Warangal (New) 765kV D/c line.
 - (4) <u>+</u>800kV, 6000 MW Raigarh-Pugalur-North Trichur HVDC Bipole link.
- (d) & (e): No, Madam. In the recent past no such request has been received from the Government of Tamil Nadu to provide electricity from the central power pool.
