# GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS DEPARTMENT OF FERTILIZERS

#### LOK SABHA

## UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 250 TO BE ANSWERED ON 26-04-2016

#### **Production of Coal Gas**

#### 250 SHRIMATI RANJANBEN BHATT:

Will the Minister of **CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS** be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government proposes to produce gas from coal for use in the manufacture of urea;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government has taken any steps in this regard, so far;
- (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) if not, the reasons therefore?

#### **ANSWER**

#### MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS

### (SHRI HANSRAJ GANGARAM AHIR)

- (a) & (b): It has been proposed to revive Talcher unit of FCIL for setting up of Ammonia-Urea plant based on coal gasification technology by a Joint Venture of Central PSUs namely, Coal India Limited, Rashtriya Chemicals & Fertilizers Limited, Gas Authority of India Limited (GAIL), Fertilizer Corporation of India Limited (FCIL).
- (c) & (d): In response to the Expression of Interest (EoI) issued for Pre-qualification of licensors of Coal gasification technology, seven offers were received. PDIL, the project consultant, has evaluated the offers. Final selection of the coal gasification technology is under progress.
- (e): In view of (c) & (d) above, question does not arise.

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