GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF POWER

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.778 TO BE ANSWERED ON 21.07.2016

POWER PLANT IN BANGLADESH

778. DR. KIRIT SOMAIYA:

Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government is considering to build a Thermal Power Plant in Bangladesh;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether any contract in this regard has been signed by Indian side with Bangladesh Authority;
- (d) if so, the details thereof along with the funding pattern; and
- (e) the benefits likely to be accrued to the country through setting up of this plant in Bangladesh?

ANSWER

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

(SHRI PIYUSH GOYAL)

(a) to (e): NTPC, a Central Public Sector Company and Bangladesh Power Development Board (BPDB) have signed a Joint Venture Agreement on 29.01.2012 for promoting a joint venture company namely Bangladesh-India Friendship Power Company (Pvt.) Limited (BIFPCL), with equal (50:50) equity participation to develop coal based power project(s) in Bangladesh. BIFPCL has awarded EPC (Turnkey) Package for 2x660 MW Rampal (Khulna) project to BHEL on 31.01.2016. The estimated cost of the project is approximately US\$ 1680.2 million and the funding pattern envisaged for the project is 70% debt and 30% equity. NTPC will get dividends from BIFPCL from the profit generated by it. It will also strengthen the regional power co-operation in the South-East Asia.
