

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA**

**MINISTRY OF COAL**

**RAJYA SABHA**

**QUESTION NO 26.07.2010**

**ANSWERED ON**

**REQUIREMENT OF COAL FOR POWER SECTOR .**

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Shri Mohd. Ali Khan

Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT COAL be pleased to state :-

(a): whether power sector requires 35 mt. of coal imports;

(b): if so, the details thereof;

(c): the present status thereof; and

(d): the future action plan for the remaining period of the Eleventh Five Year Plan for Andhra Pradesh and other States also ? ANSWER MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COAL (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) AND

**ANSWER**

MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) IN THE MINISTRY OF STATISTICS AND  
PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION

(SHRI SRIPRAKASH JAISWAL)

(a) & (b): Yes, Sir. For the year 2010-11, against estimated coal requirement of 434 MT for the power plants, the availability of indigenous coal has been estimated at 388 MT, leaving a shortfall of 46 MT. To bridge this gap, power utilities were advised by Ministry of Power to import 35 MT of coal. Power utility-wise target is given in Annexure.

(c): As per information furnished by Central Electricity Authority, during April-June, 2010, such power utilities had imported 7.313 million tonnes.

(d): For the terminal year of 11th Plan i.e.2011-12, as against coal requirement of 512 MT projected by the Central Electricity Authority for the power plants, availability of indigenous coal is estimated at 414 MT, leaving a shortfall of 98 MT, which needs to be met through import. Power utility wise target, including those located in Andhra Pradesh, would be assessed by Central Electricity Authority/Ministry of Power in December 2010/ January, 2011 depending upon the capacity addition programme and generation target for 2011-12.