

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
POWER
LOK SABHA**

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REQUIREMENT OF COAL FOR THERMAL POWER STATIONS
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Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has made any assessment of the requirement of coal for the thermal power stations in the country for the year 2010-11;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the steps taken by the Government to meet the requirement of coal?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER (SHRI BHARATSINH SOLANKI)

(a) & (b): For the year 2010-11, the coal requirement for coal based power stations has been assessed as 452 Million Tonne (MT), as per details given below:

i) Coal requirement for coal based power plants : 440 MT
designed on indigenous coal.

ii) Coal requirement for coal based power plants primarily : 12 MT
designed on imported coal.

Total : 452 MT

(c): The indigenous coal requirement of 440 MT is proposed to be met with availability of 388 MT from the domestic sources and import of 35 MT of coal (equivalent to 52 MT of domestic coal due to higher calorific value) by the Power Utilities. In addition to this, 12 MT coal is to be imported by the Power Utilities to meet the requirement of power plants primarily designed for use of imported coal as fuel.