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ULTRA MEGA POWER PROJECTS
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Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Ultra Mega Power Projects (UMPP) in the country are likely to face shortage of coal in the near future;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor; and
- (c) the steps taken by the Government to ensure sufficient coal supply to these projects?

Answer

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

(a) to (c) : In Ultra Mega Power Project (UMPP) initiative, the pit head UMPPs are allocated captive coal blocks and the coastal UMPPs envisage supply of imported coal, to be tied up by the successful developer. In respect of the awarded projects, coal blocks have been allocated to the pithead UMPPs i.e. Sasan and Tilaiya by Ministry of Coal, whereas as per Central Electricity Authority (CEA), the developers of the two coastal UMPPs i.e. Mundra and Krishnapatnam propose to import coal from Indonesia.