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LTTD FOR POWER PLANTS

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Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has directed all coast-based power plants to use Low Temperature Thermal Desalination (LTTD);
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether most of the power plant operators have shown their inability to use LTTD technology;
- (d) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor; and
- (e) the further action proposed to be taken by the Union Government in this regard?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) FOR ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI JAIRAM RAMESH)

- (a) & (b) This Ministry has not issued any direction to the coast-based power plants for use of the Low Temperature Thermal Desalination (LTTD) technology. However, while according environmental clearance to the proposed coast based thermal power projects, a specific condition has been stipulated for exploration of the possibility of adopting LTTD technology to meet the water requirement.
- (c) & (d) No such information on any inability to use LTTD technology has been received from the power plant project proponents.
- (e) In view of the reply to parts (c) & (d) above, does not arise.