GOVERNMENT OF INDIA POWER LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1429 ANSWERED ON:04.03.2011 ULTRA MEGA POWER PROJECTS Rathwa Shri Ramsinhbhai Patalbhai

Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

- (a) whether many foreign countries like China, Korea, New Zealand, United States of America (U.S.A) and European countries have shown keen interest in investing in Ultra Mega Power Projects (UMPPs) proposed to be set up in the country;
- (b) if so, whether the Government has also received expressions of interest from many domestic and international companies to build these power projects in the country;
- (c) if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) the time by which final decision in this regard is likely to be taken?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER (SHRI K.C. VENUGOPAL)

- (a): Foreign companies have also shown keen interest in investing in Ultra Mega Power Projects (UMPPs).
- (b): As per Power Finance Corporation, the nodal agency for UMPP initiative, bids from many domestic and international companies for development of these power projects in the country have been received during the bidding process of the four UMPPs bid out so far.
- (c): The list of the domestic and international companies which have participated in the UMPP bidding process thereby expressing interest to build these power projects is enclosed at Annex.
- (d): The four UMPPs, namely Sasan in Madhya Pradesh, Mundra in Gujarat, Krishnapatnam in Andhra Pradesh and Tilaiya in Jharkhand, bid out so far have already been awarded to the identified developers and are at different stages of development. The Request for Qualification (RfQ) for two UMPPs namely Sarguja in Chhattisgarh and Bedabahal in Orissa have been issued.