## GOVERNMENT OF INDIA POWER LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:693 ANSWERED ON:25.11.2011 IMPORT OF COAL FOR THERMAL POWERSTATIONS Dharmshi Shri Babar Gajanan;Jakhar Shri Badri Ram

## Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

- (a) whether a number of thermal power stations in the country including Rajasthan and Maharashtra have been identified for operating with the imported coal; and
- (b) if so, the State/UT-wise details thereof along with the reasons therefor?

## **Answer**

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

(a) & (b): In order to bridge the gap between requirement of coal and its availability from the domestic sources in respect of thermal power stations designed on indigenous coal, power utilities have been assigned an import target of 35 million tonne for the year 2011-12. Utility-wise import target for 2011-12 is given at Annex. In addition, the power stations have also been envisaged to operate on imported coal. The coal import requirement for such power stations for the year 2011-12 was assessed as 20 million tonne.