GOVERNMENT OF INDIA POWER LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:701 ANSWERED ON:25.11.2011 SUPPLY OF POWER TO STATES Siddeswara Shri Gowdar Mallikarjunappa

Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) whether quantum of power supply to various States in the country including Karnataka from Central Power Generating Stations during last three years and the current year is less than the requirement;

(b) if so, the State/UT-wise details thereof along with the reasons therefor; and

(c) the steps being taken to improve power supply to the States?

Answer

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

(a) & (b): The demand/requirement of power in a State to be met with their own generation, their share in the Central Generating Stations (CGSs) and import of power. Supply of power to the States against their allocation of power from CGSs, therefore, caters to part of their requirement. The quantum of energy scheduled to various States from the CGSs and their total energy requirement during the last three years and the current year (April to September, 2011) is given at Annex.

(c): Following measures have been taken/are being taken by the Central Government to improve the power supply to the deficit States:-

(i) Acceleration in generating capacity addition.

(ii) Rigorous monitoring of capacity addition of the on-going generation projects.

(iii) Coordinated operation and maintenance of hydro, thermal, nuclear and gas based power stations to optimally utilize the existing generation capacity.

(iv) Thrust to import of coal to bridge the gap between requirement of coal and its availability from the domestic sources.

(v) Development of Ultra Mega Power Projects of 4000 MW each to reap benefits of economies of scale.

(vi) Renovation, modernization and life extension of old and inefficient generation units.

(vii) Strengthening of inter-state and inter regional transmission capacity for optimum utilization of available power.

(viii) Setting up of power exchanges and grant of licenses for trading of power to facilitate needy and desirous states to purchase power.

(ix) Thrust to rural electrification through RGGVY.

(x) Energy Conservation, energy efficiency and demand side management measures.