GOVERNMENT OF INDIA POWER LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:846 ANSWERED ON:25.11.2011 VIOLATIONS OF GRID DISCIPLINE Bajwa Shri Partap Singh

Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) whether some States have indulged in violations of Grid Discipline in the recent months when there was acute powershortage;

(b) if so, the details thereof, State/UT-wise;

(c) whether the Government has drawn up any short-term and long-term contingency plan to produce required power during unforeseen circumstances; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

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

(a) & (b): During September-October, 2011, the Northern States had over drawn electricity from the Grid beyond their entitlement, resulting in violation of grid discipline. Details of over-drawal by various States are given below:

State Overdrawal from 23.9.2011 to 6.10.2011 (in Million Unit)

Maximum Average

Uttar Pradesh 35.7 24.3

Haryana 19.8 10.0

Rajasthan 17.9 4.0

Uttarakhand 3.9 1.4

Jammu & Kashmir 3.0 0.6

Himachal Pradesh 2.6 0.3

Delhi 3.4 -5.8

Punjab 3.1 -0.2

(c) & (d): The demand for power in the States is met by generation from their own sources, supply from central generating stations and purchase of power through Power Exchanges, Power Trading Companies and bi-lateral arrangements. Government of India only supplements the efforts of the State Governments by way of generation capacity addition through Central Public Sector Undertakings. In view of overall shortage of power in the country, the available thermal units give maximum possible generation commensurate with the availability of fuel. Generation from hydro power stations is enhanced depending on availability of water and the un-requisitioned surplus in gas based power station, is also available for use by the needy and desirous Power Utilities in such situations. Further, the Power Utilities also have the option of procuring power from Power Exchange(s) and trading companies. In emergent situations, allocation is made from the unallocated power of Central Generating Stations available at the disposal of the Government, infavourof State (s)/UT(s) by reduction in the allocation of other State (s) / UT(s).