

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
POWER
LOK SABHA**

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RENOVATION AND MODERNIZATION OF POWER PLANTS

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Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the World Bank has recently approved a loan for renovation and modernization of old coal based power plants in the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the number of power plants covered under the proposed modernization programme, plant-wise, State-wise;
- (d) whether the Government is considering to install any pollution control mechanism in such plants; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER (SHRI BHARATSINH SOLANKI)

(a) to (e) : Yes, Madam. The World Bank on 18th June, 2009, has approved a loan of USD 180 million and a Global Environment Facility (GEF) grant equivalent to USD 45.4 million for the rehabilitation of the following Coal Fired Stations in India :

- (i) Bandel (Unit-5)/West Bengal.
- (ii) Koradi (Unit-6)/Maharashtra.
- (iii) Panipat (Unit-3 and 4)/Haryana.

The emission from these coal fired stations is governed by the applicable statutory requirements and compliance verification by the Pollution Control Boards of the respective State Governments.