

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
POWER
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POWER GENERATION
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Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

- (a) whether power generation is likely to be increased as supply of coal has been ensured to power companies by the Government;
- (b) if so, the likely increase in power generation and the decrease in cost price to companies; and
- (c) the extent to which the increase in power generation is likely to benefit the consumers?

Answer

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

(a) to (c) : During the year 2011-12, indigenous and imported coal received by power sector was around 373 Million Tonne (MT) and 45 MT respectively and coal based generation was 584.6 Billion Unit (BU).

For the year 2012-13, the target for supply of indigenous coal is 402 MT and the power utilities are expected to import around 70 MT of coal. Keeping in view the above availability of coal, coal based generation for the year 2012-13 is expected to be around 636 BU i.e. a growth of 8.8%. Cost of generation is contingent upon availability of domestic coal and degree of blending of imported coal.