GOVERNMENT OF INDIA POWER LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3444 ANSWERED ON:13.12.2012 COST OF POWER PRODUCTION Joshi Dr. Murli Manohar;Singh Shri Rajiv Ranjan (Lalan)

Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of the factors which determine the cost of power production from various sources in the country;
- (b) whether the cost of power production is likely to increase after fixation of the prices of coal in the country;
- (c) if so, the details thereof;
- (d) whether the increased cost of power will be recovered by the Government from the consumers; and
- (e) if so, the steps proposed to be taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) OF THE MINISTRY OF POWER (SHRI JYOTIRADITYA M. SCINDIA)

- (a) : The cost of power production generated by different sources include the initial capital and its cost, interest rate on working capital, cost of continuous operation, fuel and maintenance.
- (b) & (c): The cost of coal based power production is affected inter-alia by the price fixed for coal.
- (d) & (e): Tariff for consumers is fixed by Discoms under the supervision of appropriate regulatory commission and not by the Central Government.