GOVERNMENT OF INDIA POWER LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:4595 ANSWERED ON:20.12.2012 DISRUPTION IN POWER PRODUCTION Muttemwar Shri Vilas Baburao;Sharma Shri Jagdish

Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) whether any instance of coal stock got wet due to rain and the power production came to halt because of the non-usability of wet coal has come to the notice of the Government;

(b) if so, the details thereof during the last one year both at Central and State sectors, State-wise; and

(c) the steps proposed to avoid such adverse condition which stops power production?

Answer

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

(a) & (b): Power Utilities have not reported any instance of total halt of electricity generation in any power plant due to non-usability of wet coal except Tamil Nadu Generation & Distribution Corporation Limited (TANGEDCO), which has reported halt of generation in three units at Ennore TPS (450 MW) during the year 2011-12, due to non-usability of wet coal.

(c): Covering of stacked coal by tarpaulin, temporary shed to the extent possible, and direct feeding of fresh coal received from the mines into units are a few measures undertaken to avoid instances of loss of generation due to wet coal.