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SUPPLY OF COAL BY CIL

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Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

- (a) the quantum of coal procured by the National Thermal Power Corporation Limited (NTPC) from Coal India Limited (CIL) during the last three years;
- (b) whether large quantity of stones were found mixed with the coal procured from CIL;
- (c) if so, the details thereof along with the details of financial losses suffered by NTPC as a result thereof;
- (d) the Gross Calorific Value (GCV) of coal which the boilers of NTPC can handle vis-a-vis the GCV of coal being supplied by CIL and the status of signing of the Fuel Supply Agreement (FSA) between the NTPC and CIL; and
- (e) the steps being taken by the Union Government and the management of NTPC to handle the situation and resolve the differences with CIL in a proper and effective manner?

Answer

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

(a) :Coal procured by NTPC from different subsidiaries of Coal India Limited (CIL) during the last three years is given below:

Year Coal Quantity (Million Tonnes)

2010-11 114.9

2011-12 115.8

2012-13 132.6

(b) & (c) : NTPC has informed that the coal being received at their stations contains stones both of (+)250 mm and (-)250 mm size. The quantity of (+)250 mm size stones was up to 1.06% of domestic coal quantity. As per provisions of Fuel Supply Agreement (FSA), deduction has been made in the payment. As such, there is no financial loss suffered by NTPC on this account.

(d) : As informed by NTPC, the GCV range specified in technical specifications of NTPC boilers is based on the available data of linked mine/mines from where coal linkage has been accorded. Accordingly, the range varies with project to project based on coal tie up. However, typically boilers are designed to fire coal from D to G grades as per earlier UHV regime. The minimum GCV as derived from lowest band of G grade coal corresponds to GCV of about 3100 kcal/kg. The GCV of coal being received by NTPC stations from CIL subsidiaries varies from 2500 Kcal/Kg to 5300 Kcal/Kg. FSA negotiation with CIL has been almost finalized except the issue of supply of coal not below 3100 Kcal/Kg to NTPC stations.

(e) : Ministry of Coal and Coal India Ltd. are being constantly persuaded to resolve the differences.