GOVERNMENT OF INDIA PRIME MINISTER LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1446 ANSWERED ON:14.08.2013 TARGET FIXED FOR INFRASTRUCTURE SECTOR Mahendrasinh Shri Chauhan

Will the Minister of PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether the target fixed for industrial development in the infrastructure sector has been achieved during the last three years;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the reasons for the decline in certain industrial sectors during the above period; and

(d) the steps taken to achieve the targets?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE FOR PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS & PLANNING (SHRI RAJEEV SHUKLA)

(a)& (b) Some of the main targets and the achievements thereof for industrial development in the infrastructure sector during the last three years are given below.

2010-11 2011-12 2012-13 Sector and Indicator 1 Power generation capacity Target 20359 17601 17956 addition (MW) Achievement 12161 20501 20622 2 Energy Generation (Billion Target 830.77 855.00 930.00 Units) Achievement 811.10 876.40 911.65 3 Production of Natural Gas Target 60.02 68.02 52.276 (Billion cubic meters- Achievement 52.21 47.56 40.68 BCM) 4 Coal (domestic production- Target 630 554 584 Million tones) Achievement 533 540 572 5 Road Transport & Target 2500 2500 3000 Highways Achievement 1780 2248 2844 (Completion of construction bv NHAI -Km) 6 Ports- capacity addition Target 169 226 246 (Million tones per annum-MTPA) Achievement 53 79 137 7 (i) Railways Target 1000 1075 750 (New lines - Kms) Achievement 709 725 501 7 (ii) Railways Target 1000 1110 1200 (Electrification- Kms) Achievement 975 1110 1317

(c) & (d) The shortfall in achievements of targets of power generation during 2012-13 was mainly due to non-availability of fuel viz. coal and gas. The production of natural gas in the country has declined due to complications in KG D6 block and because of no major discoveries in the recent past.

To meet the availability of coal for the power sector, Government has issued a Presidential directive to Coal India Limited to sign Fuel Supply Agreements (FSAs) with power plants that have been commissioned/would get commissioned after 31st March, 2009.

Ministry of Petroleum and Natural Gas has recently allowed exploration in the Mining Lease (ML) areas held by the contractors. This initiative is expected to attract investments by the existing oil & gas producers in the ML area held by them. The Natural Gas Pricing Guidelines, 2013 approved by CCEA will incentivize domestic natural gas production and attract increased investment in the upstream hydrocarbon sector.

Many of the issues concerning PPP projects in roads/highways on `transfer of equity for substitution' and environment clearances have been sorted out recently. This is likely to encourage the participation of developers/contractors in PPP projects.

The shortfall in capacity addition achievements in port sector has been mainly on account of inadequate bid response for berths/terminals. The Ministry has targeted two new ports in PPP for substantial augmentation of port capacity in the country and increased capital dredging.

Railways have achieved targets in electrification but there has been shortfall in construction of new lines mainly on account of shortage of funds.

Infrastructure has been identified as a key priority area and Government has constituted a Cabinet Committee on Infrastructure in July, 2009 under the Chairmanship of the Prime Minister. The Committee tracks the implementation of the infrastructure sector projects and monitors the performance keeping in mind the mandate of the Government.