GOVERNMENT OF INDIA POWER LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3624 ANSWERED ON:13.02.2014 CAPACITY OF THERMAL POWER STATIONS Singh Shri Jagada Nand

Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

- (a) the installed capacity of thermal power stations at the national level;
- (b) whether there is huge difference in the power generation capacity of these stations vis-a-vis their installed capacity;
- (c) if so, the details thereof along with the reasons therefor;
- (d) whether less quantum of power is being generated by the power stations of National Thermal Power Corporation Limited (NTPC) set up in the Eastern region of the country as compared to other regions resulting in less average Plant Load Factor (PLF); and
- (e) if so, the details thereof and the steps taken/being taken by the Government to bring the PLF therein at par with the national level?

Answer

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

- (a): The installed capacity as on 31.01.2014 of thermal power stations at the national level is 160484 MW.
- (b) & (c): No, Madam.
- (d) & (e): The average Plant Load Factor (PLF) during 2013-14 (April, 2013 to December, 2013) of NTPC units in Eastern Region was 73.85% which is lower than PLF of NTPC Plants of other Regions. This PLF, however, is more than the national average PLF of around 64.6% for the same period.