GOVERNMENT OF INDIA POWER LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:4820 ANSWERED ON:18.12.2009 INVESTMENTS IN POWER SECTOR Gandhi Shri Feroze Varun;Pangi Shri Jayaram

Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

- (a) the total investments proposed to be made by the Government for setting up of new power plants and for the development of infrastructure in power sector in the country during the Eleventh Five Year Plan; and
- (b) the extent to which the demand of power is likely to be met through the power generated by these new power plants?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER (SHRI BHARATSINH SOLANKI)

- (a): The Sub-Committee of Group of Ministers on `Financial Issues of the Power Sector` under the Chairmanship of Deputy Chairman, Planning Commission, has estimated total funds requirement of Rs.10,59,515 crore for development of power sector including generation, renovation & modernization and transmission etc., during the Eleventh Five Year Plan.
- (b): Planning Commission has fixed capacity addition target of 78,700 MW for the Eleventh Five Year Plan. According to latest assessment of the Central Electricity Authority (CEA), a total capacity addition of 62,374 MW is likely to be commissioned with 'high level of certainty' during the Eleventh Five Year Plan. In addition projects totaling to 12,590 MW are being attempted for commissioning on best efforts basis in the Eleventh Plan.