GOVERNMENT OF INDIA POWER LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:561 ANSWERED ON:26.02.2015 PRICE OF LED BULBS Rai Shri Nityanand

Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of projects being implemented to meet the increasing demand of power and to strike out the balance between demand and supply of power;
- (b) whether LED bulbs which consume power 80 per cent less than those of ordinary bulbs, are 40 times costlier than ordinary bulbs;
- (c) if so, the whether the Government is considering to reduce the prices of LED bulbs, so as to reduce electricity consumption; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) FOR POWER, COAL AND NEW & RENEWABLE ENERGY (SHRI PYUSH GOYAL)

- (a): There are 89 thermal power projects of 87087 MW capacity and 48 hydro power projects of 14218 MW capacity under construction. These projects are likely to yield benefits during 12th Plan and beyond to meet the increasing demand of power.
- (b) to (d): As per information available with Bureau of Energy Efficiency, in order to increase the demand for LEDs and reduce their price, EESL has made bulk procurement of LED bulbs. A total of 145 lakhs LED bulbs have been procured till date which have resulted in price reduction of LED bulbs from a bulk cost of Rs. 310 in February, 2014 to Rs. 103.95 in February 2015.