GOVERNMENT OF INDIA POWER LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1680 ANSWERED ON:05.03.2015 COORDINATION FOR POWER GENERATION Godse Shri Hemant Tukaram

Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

- (a) whether lack of coordination between certain departments connected with supply of fuel and power generation have been reported to the Government;
- (b) if so, the details and facts thereof; and
- (c) the efforts made/to be made by the Government to overcome the situation to ensure that the power shortage do not get worse?

Answer

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

- (a) & (b): No, Madam.
- (c): In order to ensure adequate supply of fuel, the steps taken by the Government, inter-alia, are:
- (i) The availability of coal is regularly monitored closely.
- (ii) An inter-ministerial task force constituted under the aegis of Joint Secretary (LA), Ministry of coal comprising representative from Ministry of Railways, Ministry of Power, Coal India Ltd. (CIL) and NTPC Ltd. review coal supply position weekly.
- (iii) Multi dimensional efforts are underway by Coal India Ltd to enhance production of domestic coal beyond current year's target.
- (iv) Power Utilities have been advised to expedite import of coal to meet the shortfall, if any, in domestic availability of coal.
- (v) Ministry of Petroleum & Natural Gas has issued Guidelines for clubbing/diversion of gas between two or more power plants of common ownership in order to improve the PLF.