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Title: The Minister of State in the Ministry of Power laid a statement correcting the reply given on dated 11.12.2009 to Unstarred Question no. 3589 by Shri Adagooru Vishwanth, M.P. regarding 'Thermal and Wind Energy Plants in Karnataka' and reasons for delay in correcting the reply.

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER (SHRI BHARATSINH SOLANKI): I beg to I a statement (i) correcting the reply given on 11.12.2009 to Unstarred Question No. 3589 by Shri Adagooru Vishwanath, M.P. regarding 'Thermal and Wind Energy Plants in Karnataka' and (ii) reasons for delay in correcting the reply.

At the end of the reply to part (a) & (b) of the Lok Sabha Unstarred Question No. 3589 on 11.12.2009, the following may be inserted:-

BHEL and NTPC Limited have not formed a joint venture company to set up thermal power plants in Kamataka.

BHEL has not formed a joint venture company to set up wind power plants in Kamataka with NTPC Limited or with Kamataka Power Corporation Limited.

However, Department of Heavy Industry has informed that Bharat Heavy Electricals Limited (BHEL) and Kamataka Power Corporation Limited (KPCL) have formed a joint venture company (JVC), incorporated on 15.04.2009 in the name of "Raichur Power Corporation Limited" for setting up of supercritical thermal power plants at Edlapur (1x800 MW) and Yermarus (2x800MW) in Raichur district of Kamataka on build, own and operate basis. The present paid up equity of this joint venture is Rs. 10 crore which is subscribed equally by BHEL and KPCL. The equity would be subsequently enhanced after receiving approvals and financial closure so as to achieve an equity structure of 26% each with BHEL and KPCL, and the balance 48% held by Financial Institutions/Banks/other partners.

2. The modification required for further clarification based on the reply from Department of Heavy Industry which received only in the afternoon of 11.12.2009.

3. Reason for delay:- The correcting reply could not be carried out during the previous session due to late receipt of reply from DHI

4. The error is regretted.

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