

as defined in Para 2(viii) of the Non Banking Financial (Non Deposit Accepting or Holding) Companies Prudential Norms (Reserve Bank) Directions, 2007;

- (ii) Net owned funds of Rs.300 crore or above;
- (iii) minimum credit rating 'A' or equivalent of Credit Rating Information Services of India Limited (CRISIL), FITCH, Credit Analysis and Research Limited (CARE), ICRA or equivalent rating by any other accrediting rating agencies;
- (iv) Capital-to-risk-assets ratio (CRAR) of 15 per cent (with a minimum Tier-I capital of 10 per cent).
- (c) There are no pending requests in this regard.

Power supply to Bihar

737. SHRI RAMKRIPAL YADAV: Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that quantum of power supply to Bihar from Central Power Generating Stations during last three years is less than the requirement;
- (b) if so, the reasons therefor; and
- (c) the steps being taken to improve power supply to the State?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER (SHRI BHARATSINH SOLANKI):
 (a) to (c) Electricity being a concurrent subject, responsibility for supply of electricity in a State for meeting the requirement lies with the concerned State Government/Power Utilities in the State. Government of India only supplements the efforts of State Government(s) by commissioning power generation projects through Central Public Sector Undertakings. As such the power supply from the Central Generating Stations caters to a part of the power requirement in the State. The energy requirement and the power supplied to the state from the Central Generating Stations during the last three years-(2007-08 to 2009-10) are given below:—

	Energy requirement (Million unit)	Energy availability (Million unit)	Energy supplied from CGSs (Million unit)	Energy supplied from CGSs as % of requirement (%)	Energy supplied from CGSs as % of availability (%)
2007-08	9,155	7,933	7,692	84.0	97.0
2008-09	10,527	8,801	8,103	77.0	92.1
2009-10	11,587	9,914	9,011	77.8	90.9

CGSs = Central Generating Stations

It may be seen that energy supplied from Central Generating Stations constituted (i) approximately 78% to 84% of the energy requirement of the State and (ii) approximately 91 to 97% of the energy availability in the State.

Approximately 1,747 to 1,793 MW power has been allocated to Bihar from the Central Generating Stations, which is highest among the Eastern States.

Coal supply to power plants in Andhra Pradesh

738. SHRI NANDI YELLAIAH: Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the requirement, consumption and supply of coal to Dr. N. Tata Rao/Kothagudem/Ramagundam/Rayalseema/Simhadri/Kakatiya Thermal Power Stations and Ramagundam Super Thermal Power Station, plant-wise during the last three years and current year *vis-a-vis* other plants in various States with quantum of imported coal supplied to all these power plants;

(b) whether the imported coal is economical as compared to the domestic coal;

(c) the savings, if any, effected by import of coal; and

(d) the futuristic plans of Government with regard to supply of coal to Andhra Pradesh based thermal power plants?

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

(a) Plant wise details of the requirement, consumption and supply of coal alongwith imported coal to Thermal Power Stations in the country including Dr. N. Tata Rao/Kothagudem/Ramagundam/Rayalseema/Simhadri; Kakatiya Thermal Power Stations and Ramagundam STPS during the last three years and the current year, are given in the Statements I to IV respectively (See below).

(b) and (c) No, Sir.

(d) In order to augment the supply of coal to thermal power stations in the country, including the thermal power stations of Andhra Pradesh, following steps are being taken by the Government:—

- Ministry of Coal is being insisted upon to enhance production of coal in the country.
- Efforts are also being made to import coal to meet the shortfall in existing power stations.
- Ministry of Environment and Forests is being persuaded to expedite environmental/forest clearances to pending coal mining projects.