GOVERNMENT OF INDIA POWER LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:4260 ANSWERED ON:10.04.2003 VIDYUT VYAPAR NIGAM INTO POWER TRADING SULTAN SALAHUDDIN OWAISI

Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) whether NTPC has set up a Vidyut Vyapar Nigam for foraying into the Power Trading;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the main aim behind setting up of this corporation;

(d) the details of the strategy chalked out by the Government for bringing low cost electricity to the States;

(e) the States which are likely to be benefited by this step of NTPC; and

(f) the time by which low cost electricity is likely to be supplied to States?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER (SHRIMATI JAYAWANTI MEHTA)

(a) to (f) : The National Vidyut Vyaper Nigam Limited (NVVN) has been set up on1.11.2002 as a wholly owned subsidiary of National Thermal Power Corporation (NTPC). NVVN has received Certificate of Commencement of business on 26.11.2002.NVVN has been set up with the objective of trading in power. The strategy of NTPCenvisages that power trading will enable better utilization of generation and transmission capacities and with competition result in lowering of power cost in long run. The states which have surplus power as well as deficit can benefit mutually using the services of NVVN.