

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
POWER
LOK SABHA**

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IMPORT OF LNG BY NTPC
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Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the National Thermal Power Corporation (NTPC) has signed any agreement with Nigeria for import of Liquefied Natural Gas (LNG);
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether Nigeria has agreed to allot `coastal gas block` under this agreement;
- (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) the total quantity of gas likely to be imported from there?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER (SHRI SUSHILKUMAR SHINDE)

(a) to (e) : No, Sir. However, NTPC has proposed to set up a 500 MW Coal based and a 700 MW Gas based combined cycle power station in Nigeria. NTPC has also proposed to assist Nigerian power sector by improving its power plants` performance and providing training to its Operation & Maintenance (O&M) staff. In return, Federal Government of Nigeria (FGN) is offering for allocating to NTPC a proven Gas block/gas resources of upto 3 Million Tons Per Annum (MTPA) to establish an LNG plant for exporting LNG to India. Presently, NTPC is in discussions with FGN.