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Ref: MoP&NG e-mail dated 13.06.2019 – Rajya Sabha Q No. U 205 on Study on petcoke ban to be answered on 24.06.2019 by MoEF&CC

Q (a) Whether the Ministry is undertaking a study on the ban on petroleum coke (Petcoke), an industrial fuel and an alternative to coal which causes several times more air pollution than coal and proposing to ban its import on environmental grounds;

Ans. (a) On September 10, 2018 MOEF&CC has issued guidelines for regulation and monitoring of imported pet coke in India. Import of Petcoke is allowed for only cement, lime kiln, calcium carbide and gasification industries, when used as the feedstock or in the manufacturing process on actual user condition.

MoEF&CC may reply suitably.

Q (b) Whether environmental Pollution (Prevention and Control) Authority in its report of April, 2017 had recommended that the distribution, sale and use of furnace oil and petcoke be strictly banned in National Capital Region;

Ans.(b) Yes. **MOEF&CC may reply suitably**

Q (c) Whether Ministry is considering a nationwide ban on use of petcoke by various industries;

Ans.(c) As in Ans to Q(a)

Q (d) If so, the details thereof; and

Ans. (d) As in Ans to Q(a)

Q (e) If not, the reason therefor?

Ans. (d) Not applicable

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