

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA

MINISTRY OF POWER

RAJYA SABHA

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ANSWERED ON

ALLOTMENT OF GAS FOR POWER PLANT IN ANDHRA PRADESH .

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Shri Nandi Yellaiah

Will the Minister of COAL/COAL/POWER be pleased to state :-

(a) the details and the latest status of the proposal of Andhra Pradesh Government for allotment of 9.5 MM CMD of gas for 3x7 MW gas based combined cycle plant at Nedunoor in Karimnagar district of the State;

(b) the reasons for delay in allotment of required gas; and

(c) by when it is likely to be released?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER

(SHRI BHARATSINH SOLANKI)

(a) to (c) :A proposal regarding allotment of 8 Million Metric Standard Cubic Meter Per Day (MMSCMD) of gas for commissioning of a new green field gas based combined cycle power project (3x700 MW) at Nedunoor Village of Karimnagar district of Andhra Pradesh was forwarded by Government of Andhra Pradesh to Central Government.

So far, Empowered Group of Ministers (EGoM) has allocated gas to only existing gas power projects (including 2009-10 projects). Further, EGoM in meeting dated 27.10.2009 decided that the requirement of natural gas for plants to be commissioned beyond 2009-10 would be reviewed from time to time by the EGoM for making firm allotments to such plants from the fallback quantity available.

As regards power projects which are in the pipeline, Empowered Group of Ministers (EGoM) has decided that, subject to the availability of gas, necessary allocations from KG D-6 fields will be made to these projects as and when they are ready to commence production.