GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF POWER

RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.1873
TO BE ANSWERED ON 09.07.2019

STATUS OF THE PROPOSED THERMAL POWERP LANTS IN BIHAR

†1873. SHRI RAM NATH THAKUR:

Will the Minister of **POWER**
be pleased to state:

(a) the current status of the proposed Thermal Power Plants to be set-up in Bihar;

(b) the details of the time-limit/cost etc. earmarked for the establishment of Thermal Power Plants;

(c) whether it is a fact that there is an excessive delay in the setting-up of these power plants; and

(d) if so, the reasons there for and the efforts being made by Government towards its solution?

A N S W E R

THE MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) FOR POWER, NEW & RENEWABLE ENERGY AND THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR SKILL DEVELOPMENT & ENTREPRENEURSHIP

(SHRI R.K. SINGH)

(a) to (d) : The current status of plants already under construction in Bihar with details regarding the Executing Agency, original commissioning schedule, present approved cost and reasons for delay is at **Annexure.**

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ANNEXURE

ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (d) OF UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1873 TO BE ANSWERED IN THE RAJYA SABHA ON 09.07.2019.

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Details for Under Construction Power Plants in State of Bihar

Sl. No	Project / Executing Agency	Original Commission-ing Schedule	Present Approved cost (Rs.Crore)	Current Status / Timeline	Reasons for Delay
1.	Barh-I (3x660 MW) NTPC	2011-12	21312.11	Anticipated commissioning: 2021-22	• Inordinate delay by Main Plant (SG & Auxiliaries Package) vendor M/s TPE. M/s TPE stopped work from Oct'2013 and the contract of M/s TPE was terminated on 14.01.15. Contract for balance works re-awarded in Jan'16. • Delay due to Non-performance of M/s Power Machines (TG Package). • Delay due to failure of coils, supplied by M/s. TPE, during Hydro Test of boiler of Unit-I. Accordingly, change of material was approved and contract was awarded to M/s. GE on 15.01.2018 for supply, dismantling and installing of coils. • Delay due to US sanctions on Power Machines, Russia, which affected balance TG supplies and works. • Delay due to land acquisition / physical possession. • Shortage of Aggregates in Year 2010 as Govt. of Bihar banned stone quarry mines to protect the environment under Bihar Minor Mineral Concession (Amendment) Rules, 2010.
2.	Barauni (2x250 MW) NTPC	Acquired on 15.12.2018 from Bihar Govt.		Anticipated commissioning: 2020-21	• No delay
3.	BRBCL Nabinagar JV (4x250 MW) JV of NTPC and Railway	2012-13	9582.89 (under approval)	• Unit-I, II & III commissioned • Unit-IV : Under Construction • Anticipated commissioning: 2020-21	• Delay in land acquisition • Frequent law order problems/ disturbances/ Bandhs in past. • Delay in readiness of CHP (M/s Techpro). Agency under NCLT. • Delay in readiness of AHP (M/s Indure). Agency under NCLT. • Delay in Supply of equipment by BHEL • Delay due to poor mobilization of civil agency (M/s Era). Agency under NCLT.

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4.	NPGCPL Nabinagar (3x660MW) JV of NTPC and BSPGCL	2018-19	17304.33	• Under Construction • Anticipated commissioning: 2021-22	• Delay in acquisition of land affected work of Railway Siding and Make-up-Water (MUW) Pipe corridor. • House State Oustees (HSOs) from Main Plant and Ash Dyke shifted only in Mar'16/Jun'17. • Frequent law and order problem in the past. • Delay in readiness of AHP (M/s DCIPS). Agency under NCLT. • Delay in readiness of CHP (M/s TRF). • Delay due to poor mobilization of civil agency (M/s Era). Agency under NCLT.
5.	Buxar Thermal Power Plant 2X660 MW Satluj Jal Vidyut Nigam (SJVN) Thermal (P) Ltd. (a wholly owned subsidiary of SJVN Ltd)	1st Unit in 52 months from 08.03.2019. Second unit at an interval of 6 months thereafter.	Iinvestment approval granted on 08.03.2019 at a cost of Rs. 10439.09 Crore.	Contract for the main plant package on EPC basis has been awarded on 22.06.2019. Anticipated Commissioning: July 2023	No delay

Cases of delay are regularly monitored by NTPC/SJVNL in respect of their plants. Ministry of Power also reviews the progress of projects during Quarterly Performance Review (QPR) meetings of NTPC/SJVNL.

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