GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF POWER

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.1415 TO BE ANSWERED ON 24.11.2016

DELAYS IN EXECUTION OF POWER PROJECTS

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Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Power generating Utility of Gujarat *i.e.* GSECL, the new power plants as well as R & M projects of existing power plants are awarded to Government of India Undertaking *i.e.* M/s BHEL and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether M/s BHEL has not been able to execute any project within the stipulated time and if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the issue related to delay in implementation of power projects by M/s BHEL has been raised by the Government of Gujarat and if so, the details thereof;
- (d) whether other States are also facing the same difficulties; and
- (e) if so, the steps proposed to be taken by the Union Government in this regard?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) FOR POWER, COAL, NEW & RENEWABLE ENERGY AND MINES

(SHRI PIYUSH GOYAL)

- (a): As per information received from Gujarat State Electricity Corporation Limited (GSECL), following new power plants and R&M projects of existing power plants are awarded to M/s. BHEL, a Government of India Undertaking:
- i. R&M project for Unit No. 1&2 at Ukai Thermal Power Station, Gujarat.
- ii. 500 MW Extension Unit No. 6 at Ukai Thermal Power Station, Gujarat.
- iii. 2x250 MW Extension Units Nos. 3&4 at Sikka Thermal Power Station, Gujarat.
- iv. 1 X 800 MW Extension Unit No. 8 of Wanakbori TPS, Gujarat.
- v. Upgradation of Control system of Ukai Unit No.3&4.
- vi. Availability & efficiency improvement through modification in Boiler Back pass & APH of Unit. No.4 of Ukai TPS.
- vii. Availability & efficiency improvement through modification in Boiler Back pass & APH of Unit. No.3 of Wanakbori TPS.
- viii. Retrofitting of ESP of Units No.1,2 & 3 of Wanakbori TPS and Unit No.5 of Ukai TPS.

- (b): BHEL has not executed the project in scheduled completion time for following projects:
- i. R & M Project of Ukai Unit No. 1.
- ii. R & M Project of Ukai Unit No. 2.
- iii. Ukai 1 X 500 MW Unit No. 6.
- iv. Sikka TPS 2 X 250 MW Unit No. 3 & 4.

Details are as under:

Milestones	Scheduled Date of Start of work	Scheduled Date of Completion	Actual Date of Completion
R &M work of Ukai Unit-1	06.09.2006	05.04.2007	24.05.2008 (Synchronized) – Delayed by 13 months
R &M work of Ukai Unit-2	12.08.2008	11.03.2009	24.02.2010(Synchronized) – Delayed by 11 months
Ukai 1 X 500 MW Unit No. 6	06.10.2007	05.02.2011 Commercial Operation Date (COD)	06.07.2014 (COD)- Delayed by 41 months
Sikka TPS 2 X 250 MW Unit No. 3 & 4	Unit-3: 10.07.2011 Unit-4: 10.07.2011	Unit-3: 10.10.2013 (COD) Unit-4: 10.01.2014 (COD)	Unit-3: 14.09.2015 (COD)- Delayed by 23 months Unit-4: 27.12.2015 (COD)- Delayed by 23 months

- (c): Government of Gujarat has raised the issue related to delay in implementation of these projects by BHEL with Ministry of Heavy Industry & Public Enterprises, Government of India and also in various review meetings held in Central Electricity Authority / Ministry of Power, Government of India.
- (d): Many thermal projects including R&M project works being executed by BHEL in other states are also delayed.
- (e): Steps being taken by Government of India to complete the under construction thermal power projects on time are as given below:
- Central Electricity Authority (CEA) monitors the progress of under construction power projects through frequent site visits and interaction with the developers and equipment suppliers. CEA holds review meetings periodically with the developers and other stakeholders and identify issues critical for commissioning of projects and help in resolving them.
- Regular reviews are also undertaken by Ministry of Power, Ministry of Heavy Industries and Cabinet Secretariat to identify the constraint areas and facilitate faster resolution of inter-ministerial and other outstanding issues.
- A Power Project Monitoring Panel (PPMP) has been set up by the Ministry of Power for monitoring of on-going Thermal and Hydro Generation projects.
