

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF POWER**

**LOK SABHA
STARRED QUESTION NO.336
TO BE ANSWERED ON 18.03.2021**

DAMAGE OF CROPS AT NTPC KAHALGAON

†*336. SHRI AJAY KUMAR MANDAL:

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

- (a) whether due to damage of embankment of Lagoon-3D in NTPC, Kahalgaon during the year 2020, crops of thousands of farmers got damaged by ash mixed water in their farms;**
- (b) if so, the details thereof;**
- (c) whether any compensation has been paid to the affected farmers and if so, the details thereof;**
- (d) the number of displaced persons due to the setting up of this plant/power station who have been given employment in skilled/unskilled category; and**
- (e) the number of villages adopted by NTPC, Kahalgaon so far including the extent of development therein?**

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 (e) : A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (e) OF STARRED QUESTION NO.336 TO BE ANSWERED IN THE LOK SABHA ON 18.03.2021 REGARDING DAMAGE OF CROPS AT NTPC KAHALGAON.

(a) to (c) : There was a breach in Lagoon-3D embankment of NTPC Kahalgaon in the month of November, 2020. On account of spillage of ash mixed water, crops of Mauja of Ekchari, Rasalpur, Maheshamunda and Dhanaura of Bhagalpur District of Bihar have been affected. Government of Bihar has constituted a Committee to examine the extent of damage of crops and the compensation would be paid in accordance with findings of the Committee.

(d) & (e) : Fifteen (15) numbers of land oustees have been given permanent employment in skilled category in last five years. The community developmental works undertaken by NTPC-Kahalgaon are primarily in the areas of education, health, sanitation, drinking water, rural social infrastructure, skill development, support to physically challenged, environmental sustainability and augmenting Government efforts and schemes for inclusive growth. These initiatives are based on the needs of the community and availability of budget/resources thereof.
