GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF COAL

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1569 TO BE ANSWERED ON 04.12.2024

COD of Neyveli Lignite Corporation

1569. Dr. M K Vishnu Prasad:

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

(a) the details of the Date of Commercial Operation (COD) of Neyveli Lignite Corporation of India (NLC) Ghatampur Thermal Power Project in Uttar Pradesh;

(b) the present status of the NLC Ghatampur Thermal Power Project in Uttar Pradesh;

(c) the reasons for not attaining COD, if any; and

(d) the timeline set for the project to start commercial operations and the present status?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF COAL AND MINES (SHRI G. KISHAN REDDY)

(a): The revised date of Commercial Operation Declaration (COD) of Ghatampur Thermal Power Project as under:

| Units | Revised COD |
|----------|-------------|
| Unit-I | 20.11.2024 |
| Unit-II | 20.03.2025 |
| Unit-III | 30.06.2025 |

(b): The present status of the NLC Ghatampur Thermal power Project is given below:

(i) Physical & Financial Progress (as on 31.10.2024):

| Overall | (in %) |
|--------------------|--------|
| Physical Progress | 87.12 |
| Financial Progress | 95.35 |

(ii) Unit-I: Coal firing started from 21.10.2024 and Unit-1 has achieved Full Load (i.e. 660 MW) on 19-11-24.

Unit-II - Under construction. Major activities completed.

Unit-III - Under construction.

- (c): The reasons for delay are given below:
- (i) Strike by farmers during the initial period of execution of the project;
- (ii) COVID-19 pandemic;
- (iii) Delay in Balance of Plant (BoP) works by the BoP Package Contractor.
- (d): The timeline set for projects to start commercial operations are as under-

| Unit | Unit 1 | Unit 2 | Unit 3 |
|-------------|----------|------------|------------|
| Date of COD | Nov-2024 | 20-03-2025 | 30-06-2025 |
