GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF POWER

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.2777 ANSWERED ON 12.12.2024

NTPC DOUBLE PIPELINE FROM UJANI DAM

2777. MS. PRANITI SUSHILKUMAR SHINDE:

Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the proposal sent by the Solapur Municipal Corporation to use one of the double pipelines of National Thermal Power Corporation (NTPC) from Ujani Dam for supply of drinking water to Solapur city on the lines of the Nagpur Municipal Corporation was rejected by the Solapur NTPC; and
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER

(SHRI SHRIPAD NAIK)

(a) to (b): Thermal Power Plant of NTPC Ltd., Solapur has designed and built 2 pipelines of 72 MLD capacity each from Ujani reservoir to NTPC-Solapur to meet water requirements for its 2 X 660 MW capacity power plant for power generation. A request from District Administration, Solapur has been received for sparing one among the two pipelines for supplying water to Solapur Municipal Corporation(SMC). Non-availability of one pipeline will impact the reliable generation of power from NTPC Solapur as both pipelines are required to meet the normative water requirement of the plant. Further, in case of single long-distance pipeline, outage of the same will lead to complete stoppage of water supply to the plant.

However, for supply of drinking water to Solapur city and neighbouring project affected villages (PAVs), an agreement was made with Solapur Municipal Corporation (SMC) on 28.09.2016. As per agreement, NTPC committed to pay Rs. 250 Crores in phased manner for augmentation of water supply infrastructure including pipeline from Ujani Dam. NTPC has already paid Rs. 240.07 Cr. till date.
