

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF POWER
LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.612
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SETTING UP OF SUPER THERMAL POWER PROJECT IN KAKWARA

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

- (a) whether the Government has proposed to set up 4400 MW super thermal power project at Kakwara of Banka district in Bihar;**
- (b) if so, the status of land acquired along with the selection of coal mine for supply of coal; and**
- (c) the time by which the said thermal power project is likely to be operational for power generation?**

A N S W E R

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER

(SHRI SHRIPAD NAIK)

(a) to (c) : The Ultra Mega Power Projects (UMPPs) initiative was launched by the Government of India in 2005-06, to create large-scale thermal power plants, each with a capacity of 4,000 MW or more, to meet growing electricity demands across multiple states. Total 17 Ultra Mega Power Projects (UMPPs) were proposed to be set up in different states including Bihar.

Against above mentioned 17 UMPPs, two UMPPs are operational i.e. Mundra operated by Tata Power in Gujarat and Sasan operated by Reliance Power in Madhya Pradesh. Ministry of Power in FY 2019-20 has taken a policy decision to not implement Ultra Mega Power Projects further. Accordingly, the work on remaining UMPPs has not commenced.
