

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
COAL
LOK SABHA**

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CAPTIVE POWER PLANT IN KATHARA ZONE UNDER CCL
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Will the Minister of COAL be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the estimate of the Captive Power Plant in Kathara Zone under the Central Coalfields Ltd. was Rs. 45 crore which was raised to Rs. 100 crore during the construction period and yet the management of CCL is unable to run the same;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;
- (c) whether the Expert Engineers of the Bharat Heavy Electrical Ltd. have imparted a successful training of one year for operating this Captive Power Plants, and yet the management of the CCL. has failed to operate it; and
- (d) if so, the reasons therefor?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COAL (SHRI PRAHLAD SINGH PATEL) :

- (a) The estimate of captive power plant was approved by Government in August, 1986 at a capital cost of Rs. 49.20 crore. The revised cost estimates, approved by empowered subcommittee, was Rs.85.20 crore.
- (b) The work was awarded to M/s BHEL for supply, installation and commissioning of 2x10MW captive power plant at Kathara. M/s BHEL left the site without completing all the works as per contractual provisions. Many equipments were not installed and commissioned by BHEL. As per the agreement both the plants should have completed trial operations for all equipment for 14 days out of which at least 72 hours should have been on continuous operation on full load. In spite of repeated requests by CCL, completion and commissioning of the plant was not done by M/s BHEL. Apart from above, the installation had many defects due to which the plant could not be run.
- (c) and (d) M/s BHEL failed to impart training as per contract provision at manufacturer's works and at site of the Captive Power Plant. No systematic arrangement to train CCL personnel was made by BHEL. Some irregular and inadequate sessions of training were conducted which were not beneficial for running the captive power plant.