GOVERNMENT OF INDIA POWER LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2621 ANSWERED ON:12.03.2010 POWER PROJECTS IN JHARKHAND Sinha Shri Yashwant

Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) the present status of the power projects proposed to be set up in Kodarma, Jharkhand;

(b) whether the Damodar Valley Corporation (DVC) proposes to shift two units of 660 Megawatt proposed to be set up in Kodarma, Jharkhand, elsewhere;

(c) if so, the reasons therefor; and

(d) if not, the time by which the said project is likely to be completed?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER (SHRI BHARATSINH SOLANKI)

(a): Damodar Valley Corporation proposed to set up (i) 1000 (2x500) MW Koderma Phase-I Thermal Power Project (TPP) and (ii) 1320 (2x660) MW Koderma Phase-II Thermal Power Project at Koderma. The Unit-I and Unit-II of Koderma Phase-I TPP are anticipated to be commissioned during September, 2010 and March, 2011 respectively.

(b) & (c): As regards Phase-II of Koderma Thermal Power Project, considering non-availability of water in the Tilaya Reservoir in Jharkhand after allocation of 150 cusecs water for Tilaya UMPP of Jharkhand Integrated Power Limited (JIPL), the Damodar Valley Reservoir Regulation Committee (DVRRC) in its 115th DVRRC (Special) meeting advised DVC to explore alternate source to meet the requirement of the project. However, in order to match the commissioning of the project with the time frame for bulk tendering projects with phased manufacturing programme as approved by Government of India, DVC requested for relocation of the project from Koderma in Jharkhand to Raghunathpur in West Bengal and the same was agreed to by the Ministry of Power and Planning Commission.

(d): In view of reply to (b) & (c) above, question does not arise.