

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
COAL
LOK SABHA**

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Will the Minister of COAL be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Neyveli Lignite Corporation (NLC) has augmented its production capacity during the last three years and the current year;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the details of future plans of NLC to bridge the gap of demand and supply; and
- (d) the steps taken by the NLC in this regard?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COAL (SHRI PRATIK PRAKASHBAPU PATIL)

(a) & (b): Yes Sir. During the last three years Neyveli Lignite Corporation (NLC) has augmented its lignite mining capacity by 6.6 MT. During the current year i.e. 2010-11 up to 28.2.2011, NLC has augmented power generation capacity by 250 MW.

(c) & (d): As the lignite excavation from the mines of NLC is being used/consumed by its pithead power stations, the question of bridging the gap of demand and supply does not arise. However, NLC proposes the following projects as its future plan:-

Lignite

Bithnok Lignite Mine (2.25 MTPA) linked to Bithnok Thermal Power Project (1 x 250 MW) in Bikaner District, Rajasthan

Neyveli New Thermal Power Project (2 x 500 MW) at Neyveli in Tamilnadu.

Hadla & Palana Lignite Mine (2.5 MTPA) linked to Barsingsar TPS Extension (1 x 250 MW) in Bikaner District, Rajasthan

Jayamkondam lignite mine (13.5 MTPA) linked to Thermal Power Project (2x800 MW) at Jayamkondam in Tamil Nadu

Lignite mine in South Gujarat (8.0 MTPA) linked to Thermal Power Project (4 x 250 MW) as joint venture between NLC and Gujarat Power Corporation Limited (GPCL)

Lignite Mine III (8.0 MTPA) linked to TPS III (2 x 500 MW) at Neyveli in Tamil nadu

2000 MW Coal based Thermal Power Plant at Orissa

Coal based Power Project in Uttar Pradesh (2000 MW) as Joint Venture between NLC and Uttar Pradesh Rajya Vidyut Utpadan Nigam Limited (UPRVUNL).

Coal based Power Plant in Coastal area (2000 MW) of Tamilnadu at Nagapattinam.

Wind power project in Tamilnadu - 50 MW in phase-I will be enhanced to 250 MW in a phased manner

Power generation

NLC's new thermal power project (1000 MW) at Neyveli in lieu of existing Thermal-I.

For Bithnok lignite mine (2.25 MTPA) cum power project (250 MW) at Rajasthan.

Wind power project in Tamil Nadu.