

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
COAL
LOK SABHA**

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ELECTRICITY GENERATION
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Will the Minister of COAL be pleased to state:

- (a) whether electricity generation from the Neyveli Lignite Corporation (NLC) has been reduced because of Thane cyclone;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the details of losses incurred;
- (c) whether the NLC has taken any steps to restore electricity generation and to improve capacity augmentation;
- (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE FOR COAL (SHRI PRATIK PRAKASHBAPU PATIL)

(a)&(b): Yes, Sir. Due to impact of cyclone 'Thane', the electricity generation at NLC was reduced by 30%. However, shortfall in generation was made good in the subsequent days and the target set for the month has been achieved. Hence, no loss was incurred by NLC on account of electricity generation during that month.

(c)to(e): Yes, Sir. The restoration work were carried out on war footing, which resulted in major improvement in power generation capacity from 1730 MW on 30.12.2011 to full capacity of 2490 MW on 05.01.2012. NLC also worked round the clock and completed erection of two numbers of 230 KV power line towers feeding mines, within 72 hrs. against the normal time of 15 days.