

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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LOSS IN POWER GENERATION
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Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the power generation capacity of 4000 MW of National Thermal Power Corporation Limited (NTPC) was affected due to strike of coal workers in Telangana region in October 2011;
- (b) if so, the details thereof along with the reasons therefor;
- (c) the total quantity of coal required by NTPC during the next three years; and
- (d) if so, the steps being taken by the Government to ensure uninterrupted supply of coal to NTPC power plant?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER (SHRI K.C. VENUGOPAL)

(a) & (b): Yes, Madam. The only Power station of NTPC in Telangana region, namely, Ramagundam Station (2600 MW) suffered a partial generation loss of 293 MUs due to less coal supply during the strike period.

(c): NTPC's estimated domestic coal requirement for the next three years is given hereunder:

2012-13 : 137.2 Million Metric Tons (MMT)

2013-14 : 145.31 Million Metric Tons (MMT)

2014-15 : 153.61 Million Metric Tons (MMT)

In addition, NTPC may import around 10% of the above mentioned quantities in each year for blending as per guidelines issued by Ministry of Power.

(d) : Following steps have been/are being taken by the Government to ensure uninterrupted supply of coal for the thermal power plants, including NTPC, in the country:

(i) Ministry of Coal / Coal India Ltd. are being insisted upon to enhance production of domestic coal.

(ii) NTPC has signed Fuel Supply Agreement for supply of 124.9 MMT of coal. Letter of Assurances (LOAs) for new projects have also been placed on Coal India Limited (CIL) for supply of 18.59 MMT of coal. Besides, NTPC has Bilateral MOUs with coal companies for supply of 2.3 MMT of coal.

(iii) Power Utilities have been advised to import coal to extent technically feasible to bridge the gap between requirement of coal and its availability from domestic sources.

(iv) The coal supply position to thermal power stations is regularly reviewed in Ministry of Coal, Ministry of Power and Cabinet Secretariat with participation from the concerned Ministries, Central Electricity Authority, Coal India Limited and NTPC Limited.

(v) Reduction in e-auction by CIL from 10% to 7% of its production progressively till the end of 12th Plan, if required, to meet its commitment to power sector.

(vi) Captive coal production from NTPC mines to begin in 2013-14.