

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
POWER  
LOK SABHA**

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GAS BASED POWER PROJECTS  
Singh Shri Brij Bhushan Sharan

**Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:**

(a) whether the Government has given any direction to the gas based power generation companies to put their projects in abeyance; and

(b) if so, the details thereof along with the reasons therefor?

**Answer**

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

(a): An advisory has been placed on the website of this Ministry as well as on CEA, in March, 2012 for the developers not to plan power projects based on domestic gas till 2015-16. It has also been displayed that when Ministry of Petroleum & Natural Gas (MOP&NG) indicates additional availability of gas, developers will be intimated.

(b): As per the information made available by MOP&NG regarding New Exploration Licensing Policy (NELP) the gas production is likely to go down by 15.03 Million Metric Standard Cubic Meter Per Day (mmscmd) in 2012-13 and additional 3.42 mmscmd in 2013-14 against the availability of 42.67 mmscmd of gas in 2011-12. MOP&NG has not given any projections for the years 2014-15 and 2015-16. Presently about 9520 MW gas based capacity is either in the advance stage of construction or ready for commissioning. But due to non-availability of domestic gas, no gas has been allocated to these projects. Considering the same, an advisory has been issued so as to avoid power projects getting stranded in future.