

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
POWER  
LOK SABHA**

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COAL BLOCKS TO NTPC

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

- (a) whether the targets of power generation during the Twelfth Five Year Plan is likely to be affected as a result of the de-allocation of coal blocks;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the details of coal blocks allocated to the National Thermal Power Corporation Limited (NTPC) along with the details of coal blocks withdrawn in the recent past, block-wise;
- (d) the reasons for withdrawal of coal blocks from the NTPC;
- (e) the reasons for failure of NTPC to start mining operations from each of such coal blocks along with the extent to which power generation from NTPC power plants has suffered due to delay in mining operations; and
- (f) the details of steps taken by the NTPC to restore such coal blocks along with the outcome thereof?

**Answer**

THE MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) OF THE MINISTRY OF POWER ( SHRI JYOTIRADITYA M. SCINDIA )

(a) : No, Madam.

(b) : Does not arise in view of reply at (a) above.

(c) & (d) : Following blocks have been allocated to NTPC out of which three blocks namely Kerandari, Chatti Bariatu and Chatti Bariatu (South) coal blocks have been deallocated by Ministry of Coal on 14.06.2011 citing delay in development of the blocks:

S. No.	Blocks	Geological Reserves (MT)	Date of allocation
1.	Pakri-Barwadih, Jharkhand	1436	11.10.2004
2.	Talaipali, Chhattisgarh	1267	25.01.2006
3.	Kerandari, Jharkhand	285	25.01.2006
4.	Chatti Bariatu, Jharkhand	194	25.01.2006
5.	Dulanga, Odisha	245	25.01.2006
6.	Chhati Bariatu (S), Jharkhand	354	25.07.2007

(e) : In all the three coal blocks the commencement of coal mining operation is linked with availability of environment and forest clearances, land acquisition, coal evacuation arrangement etc. Delay in these activities directly affected the coal block development schedule. The delay in production of coal from these blocks has not yet affected NTPC's power generation from its existing power stations, since the coal from these blocks is allocated for meeting the requirement of its upcoming power projects.

(f) : After NTPC made a detailed representations to Ministry of Coal on the status of the blocks as well as end use projects, Ministry of Coal conveyed in-principle withdrawal of de-allocation of these blocks on 27.01.2012. However, as the formal withdrawal of de-allocation is awaited from Ministry of Coal, Ministry of Power has taken up the matter with Ministry of Coal vide letters dated 03.05.2012, 05.09.2012 and 16.11.2012.