GOVERNMENT OF INDIA POWER LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1982 ANSWERED ON:04.12.2014 SUPPLY OF BOILERS FOR BARH PROJECT Rao Shri Konakalla Narayana

Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Russian Engineering, Procurement and Constructions has now raised a fresh demand for an additional \$ 248 million for completing the remaining work of NTPC's 1980 MW Barh Power project in Bihar for supply of boilers to the said project;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor along with the steps taken by the Government in this regard and towards completing the project without further delay; and
- (c) whether the NTPC is suffering similarly for its ongoing projects and if so, the details and progress thereof, project wise?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) FOR POWER, COAL AND NEW & RENEWABLE ENERGY (SHRI PMUSH GOYAL)

- (a): Yes, Madam.
- (b): The contract for the Main Plant Package Part `A` (Steam Generator and Auxiliaries) for Barh Super Thermal Power Project (STPP) Stage I (3x660 MW) was placed on M/s Technopromexport, Russia (TPE) based on international competitive bidding procedure on 14th March 2005 with the schedule for completion of facilities for Unit#1 by Jan`09, Unit#2 by July`09 and Unit#3 by Jan`10. Subsequently, with the intervention of Government of India, schedule for completion of facilities was revised to Oct`13, Apr`14 and Oct`14 for Unit#1, Unit#2 and Unit#3 respectively vide amendment dated 29.10.2010.

TPE vide letter dated 26.09.2014 has asked for a cost overrun of USD 248 Million from NTPC, over and above the amount payable as per contractual provisions, for completing the remaining work of Steam Generator Package of NTPC's Barh STPP Stage-I in Bihar.

TPE vide letter dated 27.11.2014 has submitted draft of detailed schedule for completion of Barh Unit#1 for NTPC's review and approval.

(c): No, Madam. There is no other project awarded to this company.