

(d) progress so far made in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF ENERGY (SHRI A. B. A. GHANI KHAN CHOUDHURY) : (a) Eastern Coal-fields Ltd. has suffered some loss in production of coal due to power shortage.

(b) Yes, Sir.

(c) and (d). Two gas turbines, each of 5 MW are in the final stages of commissioning at Ratibati and Ghanshyam for the Eastern Coal-fields Ltd. These sets are to be commissioned by the end of August '82.

ECL is also installing eight 500 KVA diesel generating sets of which three have been commissioned and the remaining five are expected to be commissioned shortly. The company also plans to commission an old 14 MW generating set which has been procured from the Madhya Pradesh Electricity Board.

Estimated Shortfall in Power Output at the end of Sixth Plan

*362. SHRI GHULAM RA-SOOL KOCHACK : Will the Minister of ENERGY be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Planning Commission has pointed out and had estimated shortfall of about 5000 MW capacity in the power output;

(b) if so, the main reasons put forward by them in this regard ;

(c) whether the Planning Commission has been asked to provide the Ministry sufficient funds to overcome this deficit ; and

(d) if so, to what extent the Ministry has been provided funds to achieve the power target set for the Sixth Plan ?

THE MINISTER OF ENERGY (SHRI A. B. A. GHANI KHAN CHOUDHURY) : (a) - Yes, Sir.

(b) (i) Delay in the supplies of plant and equipment;

(ii) Weak project management in many of the electricity boards/project implementing agencies;

(iii) Shortage of cement and steel and limitation in the number of agencies for taking up specialised items of work; and

(iv) Due to increasing operating cost and shortfall in the additional resources mobilisation, the actual flow of funds to the State Electricity Boards have fallen short of the provisions made during the Plan formulation.

(c) and (d). An assessment of additional funds required for the power sector has been forwarded to the Planning Commission for consideration during the mid-term review of the Sixth Plan, after which the position would become clear.

Domkhar Micro Hydel Schemes for Ladakh

*363. SHRI P. NAMGYAL : Will the Minister of ENERGY be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that some papers of the 2 MW Domkhar Micro Hydel Scheme in Ladakh have been lying with Central Water Commission and Central Electricity Authority since 1979 for clearance;

(b) whether it is also a fact that the final clearance of the project is yet to be given by the C.W.C.;

(c) if replies to (a) and (b) above be in the affirmative, what are the