

Lanco Infratech (Lanco Kondapalli Stage-III) and GMR (Vemarigi Expansion) in Andhra Pradesh are also included in the list of above recommended projects.

(b) Both the companies have requested the Ministry of Power for allocation of gas for testing and commissioning and thereafter for commercial operation immediately and Ministry of Power has requested Ministry of Petroleum and Natural Gas for the same.

(c) and (d) As informed by Ministry of Petroleum and Natural Gas there is a decline in production of natural gas from KG D6 field. Earlier production from KG D6 field reached around 60 million standard cubic meter per day (mmscmd). However, since December, 2010, the production started declining. In June, 2011, the average production from KG D6 field has been around 47 mmscmd.

Delay in construction of NTPC power projects

†900. SHRI PRABHAT JHA:

SHRI RUDRA NARAYAN PANY:

Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that unnecessary delay is taking place in the construction of power plants of public sector company NTPC;

(b) if so, the details thereof along with the reasons therefor and the efforts being made for early construction of these plants; and

(c) if not, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER (SHRI K.C. VENUGOPAL): (a) Some of NTPC's power projects have got delayed owing to major contractual issues, geological surprises, law and order problem at sites, etc.

(c) and (d) The details containing reasons for delay in such projects, as referred to in (a) above, and the efforts made by NTPC for early construction of these projects are given in the Statement (*See below*).

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.

Statement

Delay in construction of NTPC Power Projects and Remedial Measures taken

Sl. No.	Name of the Project	State	Capacity (MW) under construction	Project commissioning Schedule	Anticipated commissioning of Project	Major reasons of Delay	Remedial measures taken
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
1.	Bongaigaon TPP	Assam	750 (3×250)	2011-12	2013-14	Frequent ' Bandits ' and local disturbances in Salakati area, and inadequate mobilization by civil agency.	Civil work related to U#2 & U#3 are offloaded to new agency and awarded on 12.7.2011
2.	Kol Dam HEP	Himachal Pradesh	800 (4×200)	2009-10	2012-13	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cash flow problems of the Dam contractor M/s ITD. (Italian Thai Development Public Co. Ltd.) • Right bank slope failure in Main Dam area. • Seepage problem in core clay area. • Increase in scope of work for Spillway concreting & Galley grouting due to geological conditions. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Differential funding to M/s ITD as advance given. • Issues resolved <p>Progress of work is improving after providing.</p>

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
3.	Tapovan Vishnugad HEP	Uttarakhand	520 (4×130)	2012-13	2013-14	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Geological surprises in HRT, Power House including pressure shaft. • Poor performance of Barrage work by M/s SSJV Projects Pvt. Ltd. 	Barrage package works contract was terminated and the works retendered.
4.	Sipat-I STPP	Chhattisgarh	1980 (3×660)	2011-12 [#]	2011-12	Supply of critical materials by M/s Power Machines, Russia (TG Package) pending settlement of contractual issues towards price variation beyond contractual provisions.	Contractual issues settled # Revised schedule as tied up with M/s Power Machines, Russia
5.	Barh-I STPP	Bihar	1980 (3×660)	2014-15 [#]	2014-15	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Non-deployment of erection agency by M/s TPE, Russia (SG Package) at site pending settlement of contractual issues. • Supply of major critical materials by M/s Power Machines, Russia (TG Package) pending settlement of contractual issues. 	Contractual issues settled # Revised schedule as tied up with M/s TPE and M/s Power Machines, Russia