

Sl.No.	State	Silo capacity in MTs
1.	Bihar	2,00,000
2.	Haryana	3,00,000
3.	Madhya Pradesh	3,50,000
4.	Maharashtra	1,00,000
5.	Punjab	4,00,000
6.	Uttar Pradesh	3,00,000
7.	West Bengal	2,00,000
8.	Assam	50,000
9.	Kerala	50,000
10.	Gujarat	50,000
TOTAL		20,00,000

The sites for the location of the silos will be decided by the FCI in consultation with the State Governments, for which State Level Committees on Silos (SLCS) have been constituted. The estimated project cost for construction of grain silo of capacity 50,000 tonne in deficit areas is Rs. 26.13 crore and Rs. 32.13 crore in surplus producing areas; however the actual costs and the time required for completion and starting the operation of the silos will be finalised after a transparent bidding process.

(d) The State Governments of the procuring States will be required to notify the locations of silos as mandis and further disseminate information to the farmers.

#### **Coal Linkages for Power Projects in Karnataka**

\*435. SHRI M. VENKAIAH NAIDU : Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that the proposals for long term coal linkages for three new power projects, namely, Edlapur, Yermarus and Bellary Thermal Power Station Unit III were submitted to the Central Government by the Karnataka Government in 2007;

(b) whether it is also a fact that the abnormal delay in sanctioning the proposals is affecting the commissioning of those projects; and

(c) if so, whether Government has considered the above proposals and, if so, the action taken thereon?

THE MINISTER OF POWER (SHRI SUSHIL KUMAR SHINDE) : (a) The details of the applications received in Ministry of Coal for coal linkages for Edlapur, Yermarus and Bellary thermal power plant (Unit-III) is as below :

Sl. No.	Name of the proposed TPP	Location of the proposed TPP	Capacity applied/ dated	Application submitted for revised capacity/ dated
1.	Edlapur thermal power plant	Shakti Nagar, Raichur, Karnataka	1×500 MW on 09.10.2007	1×800 MW on 24.02.2009
2.	Yermarus thermal power plant	Vadlur, Raichur District, Karnataka	2×500 MW on 09.10.2007	2×800 MW on 24.02.2009
3.	Bellary thermal power plant (Unit-3)	Kuduthini, Bellary District, Karnataka	1×500 MW on 09.10.2007	1×700 MW on 21.04.2010

(b) Though the applications were received in 2007, coal linkages were not recommended for these projects during 11th Plan due to lack of preparedness. However, Ministry of Power has recommended coal linkages for these projects for 12th Plan to Ministry of Coal on 20.08.2010, 22.12.2010, 14.06.2011 and 30.12.2011.

(c) Ministry of Coal has informed that the recommendations for coal linkages will be placed before the Standing Linkage Committee (Long Term) for power for consideration depending on the availability of coal and meeting of the Committee to consider coal linkage/Letter of Assurance for 12th Plan Power projects is held.

#### **Interlinking of rivers**

†\*436. SHRI THAAWAR CHAND GEHLOT : Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state :

(a) the details of recommendations of the Commission set up to offer suggestions on the plan for interlinking of the rivers in the country;

(b) whether any views have been expressed by the Supreme Court on interlinking of rivers;

(c) if so, Government's point of view on interlinking of rivers;

(d) whether Government intends to implement the plan of interlinking of the rivers; and

(e) if so, by when and if not, the reasons therefor?

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† Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.