

* Actual number of matriculate and above SAPs were found 24 instead of earlier estimate of 30; balance 6 SAPs are eligible for alternate cash package as per the decision by Government of Odisha on 14.10.2009.

NTPC's power project at Sundergarh

4940. SHRI DILIP KUMAR TIRKEY: Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) the present status of NTPC's proposed Darlipali Super Thermal Power Station in Sundergarh;

(b) whether Government has adequate compensation, rehabilitation and environmental damage mitigation plan for the area;

(c) if so, the details thereof and the amount spent thereon, as on date;

(d) the present number of manpower engaged in the project;

(e) the number of people from Sundergarh district in Odisha hired by the company; and

(f) the recruitment policy for the affected people and the criteria adopted for the son-of-the-soil of the proposed project?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER (SHRI K.C. VENUGOPAL): (a) Major clearance/approvals for Darlipalli Super Thermal Power Project, Stage-I (2x800 MW) are available. Government of Odisha agreed to hand over the land expeditiously for the Darlipalli project of NTPC and also agreed to expedite the required clearances and processing of forest clearance for the plant as well as coal blocks so that NTPC could develop the mine along with the project. Main plant is under tendering.

(b) The land compensation as decided by the Government of Odisha will be paid. The Rehabilitation and Resettlement (R and R) benefits shall be implemented as per Odisha Government R and R Policy, 2006. Environment mitigation plan as per the norms of Odisha Pollution Control Board shall be implemented.

(c) Rs. 244.08 crores has been deposited as an interim payment in Government of Odisha account towards land compensation. Land acquisition is under process.

A comprehensive R and R Plan would be chalked out in consultation with the stake holders and the district administration. Meanwhile, Initial Community Development (ICD) activities have been undertaken and an amount of

Rs. 3,62,25,500/- has been spent on ICD works either directly or on deposit basis. This includes an initial advance of Rs. 3 crores out of the committed amount of Rs. 10 crores for the renovation of the District Headquarters hospital of Sundergarh.

(d) At present, NTPC has a total of 29 employees on its rolls comprising 26 executives and 03 non-executives in the Project.

(e) Once project is awarded for construction, Project Affected People (PAP) of Sundergarh District will get opportunities for engagement with contracting agencies, as per requirement.

(f) Darlipalli Super Thermal Power Project would deploy state-of-the-art technology with minimal requirement of manpower particularly in the unskilled category. However, vacancy, if any, will be routed through local employment exchange and preference will be extended to the PAPs based on suitability of candidate and availability of vacancy.

Schemes/projects implemented in Andhra Pradesh

4941. SHRI JESUDASU SEELAM: Will the Minister of SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

(a) the details of ongoing schemes and projects of the Ministry in Andhra Pradesh during each of the last three years and the current year;

(b) the details of complaints and suggestions received in this regard during the above period;

(c) the action taken thereon and the amount involved in each scheme/project;

(d) whether the full allocation was spent during the above period;

(e) if not, the reasons therefor; and

(f) the steps taken/proposed to be taken by Government for expeditious implementation of these schemes/projects in the State?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY (SHRI ASHWANI KUMAR): (a) The Ministry of Science and Technology under the ongoing Plan schemes and projects has invested substantial resources for the development of Science and Technology (S and T) in Andhra Pradesh in three national laboratories, *i.e.* Centre for Cellular and Molecular Biology (CCMB), Hyderabad; Indian Institute of Chemical Technology (IICT), Hyderabad; National Geophysical Research Institute (NGRI), Hyderabad; three aided institutions *i.e.* Centre for DNA Fingerprinting in Diagnostics (CDFD), Hyderabad; National Institute of Animal Biotechnology (NIAB), Hyderabad; International Advanced Research Centre for Powder Metallurgy and New Materials (ARCI), Hyderabad;