

Another 96.13 million tonnes is envisaged to come from future new/ expansion projects to be taken up during XII plan.

- Implementation of ongoing future project in time bound manner to achieve targetted production as per schedule by obtaining Environmental Clearances/Forestry Clearances and Land acquisition within the scheduled time.

Coal for power generation in Bihar

1571. SHRI RAM KRIPAL YADAV: Will the Minister of COAL be pleased to state:

(a) how much quantity of coal is being supplied per month for power generation in Bihar;

(b) whether it is a fact that the State is facing power shortage due to non-generation of power by their projects as a result of non-supply of required quantity of coal to their power projects;

(c) whether the Ministry has any plan to ensure timely supply of required quantity of coal to both power plants in the State; and

(d) if so, the details thereof ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COAL (SHRI PRATIK PRAKASHBAPU PATIL): (a) to (d) Presently, there are three power plants located in Bihar which are drawing coal from Coal India Limited (CIL) sources *viz.* Barauni Thermal Power Station, Muzaffarpur (Kanti) Thermal Power Station (both of Bihar State Electricity Board) and Kahalgaon Thermal Power Station of National Thermal Power Corporation (NTPC).

Coal India Limited have informed that Bihar State Electricity Board have requested for suspension of supply of coal for Barauni and Muzaffarpur Thermal Power Stations as they are under renovation and modernization. Accordingly, coal supply to these power stations stands suspended as per their request.

As regards Kahalgaon Thermal Power Station, during April to July 2012, the coal despatches from CIL sources was 3.674 million tonnes which is 117% of the committed quantity of 3.149 million tonnes for this period, under the Fuel Supply Agreement.