

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
POWER
LOK SABHA**

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IRREGULARITIES IN POWER GENERATION IN IB THERMAL POWER STATION
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Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government are aware of the frequent disruption of power generation in the IB Thermal Power Station in Orissa in 2002 and also during the current year 2003;
- (b) if so, the number of times such irregularities in the generation of power has taken place in the above power station in that State along with the reasons therefor; and
- (c) the steps taken to plug the loopholes so that there is no disruption in power generation in that thermal power plant?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER (SHRIMATI JAYAWANTI MEHTA)

(a) & (b) : There were 49 trippings of the generating units during 2002-03 and 17 trippings during April-July, 2003 at IB thermal power station in Orissa due to problems in plant and equipment.

According to Orissa Power Generation Corporation Limited (OPGC) there is no irregularity in the generation of power from IB thermal power station and both the units of the plant have been performing satisfactorily. The Plant Load Factor achieved by the station during 2002-03 and April-July, 2003 was 71.1% and 73.8% respectively.

(c) : Preventive maintenance of the power plant is done every year at the time of annual overhauling by OPGC to minimize technical snags and ensure smooth running of the plant.