

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
POWER  
LOK SABHA**

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HYDRO POWER GENERATION  
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**Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether there has been slow progress in achieving the target fixed for hydro power generation for the year 2005-06;
- (b) if so, the reasons therefor;
- (c) the present status of 500 MW lignite based Neyveli TPs Exp-II and Barsingsar power projects;
- (d) whether the Government has chalked out any time bound programme for the completion of these projects; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof?

**Answer**

THE MINISTER OF POWER ( SHRI P.M. SAYEED )

(a) & (b) : The targets fixed for the hydro power generation in the country for 2005- 06 is 91,480 MU and the target for the period April to October, 2005 was 59,681 MU. The actual hydro power generation during April-October, 2005 was 65,886 MU, which is 10.40% more than the target for the period. Thus, there is no slow progress in achieving the target.

(c) to (e) : As informed by Central Electricity Authority, Neyveli TPS Exp-II (2x250 = 500 MW) being executed by Neyveli Lignite Corporation (NLC), main plant order has been placed in August, 2005 on M/s BHEL and works are in progress with commissioning schedule being January, 2009 and June, 2009.

Barsingsar lignite TPP (2x125 =250 MW) is being executed by NLC. Preliminary investigation works are in progress and funding is being tied up with REC. Bids for Main Plant package were opened on 17.6.05 and the same are under evaluation. Letter of Acceptance (LOA) is likely to be placed by December 2005 and the scheduled commissioning of unit-1 and unit-2 is December 2008 and June, 2009 respectively.