

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
POWER
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PERFORMANCE OF POWER STATIONS
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Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

- (a) whether many of the power stations of State Electricity Boards (SEBs) are under- performing in the country;
- (b) if so, whether the National Thermal Power Corporation proposes to adopt these under- performing power stations; and
- (c) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER (SHRI SUSHILKUMAR SHINDE)

(a) : Yes, Sir.

(b) & (c) : At present there is no proposal of National Thermal Power Corporation (NTPC) to adopt underperforming power stations in the country. However, NTPC being one of the better performing utilities in the country, have signed the agreement of partnership with State Power Utilities and Damodar Valley Corporation for improving the performance of 15 power stations by adopting better operation & maintenance (O&M) practices, training of O&M personnel, carrying out comprehensive overhaul/essential renovation & modernization works based on Residual Life Assessment (RLA) studies under Partnership in Excellence (PIE) programme. In addition, NTPC has formed a joint venture company viz., Vaishali Power Generating Company (a joint venture of NTPC & Bihar State Electricity Board) for O&M of Muzaffarpur Thermal Power Station (2x110 MW) in Bihar.