

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
POWER
LOK SABHA**

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REVIVAL OF POWER PROJECTS
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Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of power projects lying closed as on date;
- (b) the reasons for closure of such power projects;
- (c) whether the Union Government proposes to revive such projects;
- (d) if so, the details in this regard; and
- (e) the time by which the revival of such projects is likely to be completed?

Answer

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

(a) & (b) : The following four thermal power stations (T.P.S.) are lying closed as on date for reasons indicated against each of them:

Sl.No. Name of the Power Station State Reasons for closure
and capacity (MW)

1. Barauni Thermal Power Bihar Major R&M/ Refurbishment
Station (2x50 +2x110) required.

2. Muzaffarpur Thermal Bihar Major R&M/ Refurbishment
Power Station (2x110) required.

3. Chandrapur Thermal Assam Uneconomical operation
Power Station (2x30) due to high fuel cost.

4. Bongaigaon Thermal Assam Major R&M/ Refurbishment
Power Station (4x60) required.

(c)to(e) : Revival/restoration works in respect of Barauni T.P.S.- 2x110 MW (Unit 6&7) and Muzaffarpur T.P.S.-2x110 MW are in progress. Unit 6 at Barauni and Unit 2 at Muzaffarpur are expected to be revived by March, 2007. Revival/Restoration of Barauni T.P.S. -2x50 MW (Unit 4&5) is expected in 11th Plan.

Revival/Restoration of Chandrapur T.P.S.-2x30 MW has been found to be feasible on the availability of natural gas and required modifications in the unit for gas firing. Revival/restoration of Bongaigaon T.P.S.-4x60 MW units has not been found to be technologically viable.