GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF HEAVY INDUSTRIES AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES DEPARTMENT OF HEAVY INDUSTRY

RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1640 TO BE ANSWERED ON 30.11.2016

Shifting of NTPC-BHEL power plant in Chittoor, A.P.

1640. DR. K.V.P. RAMACHANDRA RAO:

Will the Minister of HEAVY INDUSTRIES AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that the NTPC-BHEL power plant at Mannavaram in Chittoor district of Andhra Pradesh is being shifted to some other State, if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether it is a fact that the project is progressing at a very slow pace;
- (c) what was the investment proposed in the project and how much was invested till now; and
- (d) what is the present stage of project and by when the project will be completed?

ANSWER MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEAVY INDUSTRIES AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES (SHRI BABUL SUPRIYO)

- (a): No, Sir.
- (b): The facility is operational and has started commercial production from May, 2015.
- (c) BHEL and NBPPL have informed that NBPPL had prepared a business plan in April 2010 with an envisaged investment of Rs. 6,000 Crore comprising two phases as follows:

Particulars	Rs. Crore
Phase-I: EPC (Engineering, Procurement & Construction) and manufacturing	1,200
facilities for Coal Handling Plant (CHP) and Ash Handling Plant (AHP)	
Phase-II: Manufacturing facilities for boiler, turbine & generator (BTG)	4,800

The NBPPL Board in March 2011 reviewed the business scenario and noted that in the interim many other players through formation of separate JVCs had already entered in the field of manufacture of BTG equipment, which as such was also lined up as Phase-II activity of NBPPL. The NBPPL Board then decided to focus on Phase-I only. NBPPL has subsequently reworked the investment, including factoring cost economies and projected the investment of Rs. 363.94 Crore for Phase-I in its draft feasibility report of July 2015.

A capital investment of Rs. 127.81 Crore, mainly for establishing the facilities including for manufacturing of Coal Handling Plant (CHP) equipment has already been made by NBPPL, for which Rs. 100 Crore has been contributed by its two promoter Companies (i.e. Rs. 50 Crore each by NTPC and BHEL).

(d) The manufacturing facility at Mannavaram is operational and has started commercial production from May, 2015. An investment of Rs.127.81 Crs has been made on Infrastructure, Technology Collaboration and Machinery. All the machines envisaged for Phase-1 have since been commissioned.
