

**Government of West Bengal
Department of Power
'BidyutUnnanBhaban'
3/C, LA Block, Sector-III, Bidhannagar,
Kolkata-700 098**

ORDER

No : 26 -POW-13099/2/2021-SECTION (POWER) Dated, Kolkata,24th Feb,2022


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On considering different operational parameters like PLF (Plant Load factor), Forced Outage, Oil Consumption, Emission of SO_x etc. and its impact on environment as well ageing and unviable financial performance, the Unit 1 of Bandel Thermal Power Station (BTPS) with presently installed capacity of 60MW and the Unit no. 1 and 2 of 210 MW each of the Kolaghat Thermal Power Station (KTPS) of The West Bengal Power Development Corporation Limited(WBPDCL), the State Government in the recent past has been contemplating closures and demolitions of these Units. Moreover, all the 3 (three) units have crossed their average life expectancy of 25 years and run with obsolete technology.

2. In the above backdrop, to expedite the proposal of retiring units which are more than 25 years old in the context of advisory of Central Electricity Authority (CEA) vide their O.M. no. MOP/226/TPP&D/2019/475 dtd. 31.05.2019, the proposal for closure/decommissioning of these 3 (three) units with due recommendation of the Board of Directors has been placed to this Department by WBPDCL. The proposal has no financial implication on the State Exchequer rather deduction of these units will result in substantial financial savings to WBPDCL. As proposed, the employees attached to these units will be deployed to other running units.

Accordingly, assessing the non-performance of these units from regulatory front as well as to counter different environmental issues, the undersigned by the order of the Governor is pleased to accord approval on closure/decommissioning of Unit 1 of

Bandel Thermal Power Station (BTPS) with presently installed capacity of 60MW and the Unit no. 1 and 2 of 210 MW each of the Kolaghat Thermal Power Station (KTPS) of The West Bengal Power Development Corporation Limited (WBPDC) in terms of Finance Department's U.O. no. Group R/2021-2022/0207 Dated 05/01/2022 and U.O. no. 4858-Gr.N Dt. 04.01.22 read with approval of the State Cabinet in its 17th meeting held on 21st Feb, 2022 vide U/O. No. CAB (D)-193 dt.23/02/2022 with immediate effect.


Additional Chief Secretary
Department of Power

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Dated, Kolkata, 24th Feb, 2022

- (i) CMD, WBPDC. He is requested to submit proposal immediately for conversion of unspent fund provided as Equity to WBPDC for KTPS units to 1X660 MW Super-Critical Thermal Power Station at Sagradighi, Murshidabad.
- (ii) The Pr. A.G. (A&E), WB, Treasury Bldg, Kol-700 001.
- (iii) The Pr. A.G. (Audit), WB, Treasury Bldg, Kol-700 001.
- (iv) The Joint Secretary, Finance (Gr. R) Department.
- (v) FA & E.O. Joint Secretary, Power Department.
- (vi) Private Secretary to Hon'ble MIC, Power Department.
- (vii) Personal Secretary to Chief Secretary, Nabanna, Howrah.
- (viii) Guard File, Cell-II, Power Department.

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