## 'Jawaharpur thermal plant to begin prodn this month'

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Lucknow: Jawaharpur thermal power plant in Etah, which is worth Rs 12,320 crore and has 1,320 MW capacity with two generation units, will start power production from this month, said energy minister Arvind Kumar Sharma on Thursday.

Cost of energy produced would be Rs 4.22 per unit. The first unit of Jawaharpur plant has been successfully synchronized and commercial production of electricity is expected to begin this month.

Sharma inspected the operational preparedness of the plant, including logistical and infrastructure works, which are required to be completed for commercial production. During inspection, the minister visited all important segments of the project such as the ash

duct, railway siding linkage, the conveyor belt, generator, cooling tower, control room and many other facilities. He spent over three hours at the inspection site and expressed satisfaction over the readiness of the plant.

The second unit of the plant would be commissioned in February 2024.

The minister said that Panki and Harduaganj thermal power plants were getting ready for commercial production, and it would also add around 2480 MW of power in the state kitty.

"Agreements and MoUs have been signed with NTPC for putting up thermal power plants including two units of 800 MW each at Obra 'D' site, two units again of 800 MW each at Anpara, and one unit of 660 MW at Meja in joint venture with NTPC," he said.