

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF POWER
RAJYA SABHA
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ANSWERED ON
INDO IRAN POWER PROJECT

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Will the Minister of COALCOALPOWER be pleased to state :-

- (a) whether Government is all set to build new strategic ties with gas-rich Iran;
- (b) if so, whether his Ministry, along with the State-owned NTPC and Power Grid Corporation of India Ltd., is working out the contours of another \$10 billion (Rs. 48,750 crore)
- (c) deal with Iran;
- (d) whether his Ministry is preparing a plan to set up a 6000 MW gas-based power project in Iran and 1500 km transmission line to bring 5000 MW of power to India via Pakistan; and
- (e) if so, whether any final decision in this regard has been taken?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER

(SHRI BHARATSINH SOLANKI)

- (a) to (c) :Preliminary discussions to set-up a 6000 MW gas based power project by NTPC Ltd., in Iran and evacuation of power by Power Grid Corporation of India Ltd. (PGCIL) subject to its viability were held in the Ministry of Power recently. The proposal is at the conceptual stage only.
- (d) :No final decision has been taken in this regard.