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RAJYA SABHA

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ANSWERED ON

DEVELOPMENT OF POWER SECTOR IN MADHYA PRADESH

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Will the Minister of COAL/COAL/POWER be pleased to state :-

- (a) the number of proposals received from Madhya Pradesh Government during the last five years for the developmental work of power sector and the number of proposals pending at present;
- (b) the amount involved in the proposals pending and the action taken by his Ministry so far after receiving the proposals;
- (c) whether any time frame has been fixed to dispose off the proposals; and
- (d) whether the likely cost-escalation of the proposed works increases as a result of long time taken in sanctioning of proposals?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER

(SHRI BHARATSINH SOLANKI)

(a) to (d) : Concurrence of Central Electricity Authority for techno-economic clearance of thermal power projects is not required under the provisions of Electricity Act, 2003. No proposal of Hydro Electric Project was received in CEA from Madhya Pradesh during the last five years for its concurrence.

Projects for 32 districts with project cost of Rs.1533 crore have been sanctioned under Rajiv Gandhi Grameen Vidyutikaran Yojana. Further, 82 schemes at the cost of Rs. 228.09 crores have been sanctioned for Madhya Pradesh under Part A, which include the projects for establishment of baseline data and IT applications for energy accounting /auditing and IT based consumer service centres.

A request for external assistance of Rs.1500 crore from Asian Development Bank(ADB) for the transmission projects for evacuation of power from

(i) 2x600 MW Shri Singaji (Malwa) TPP

(ii) 2x250 MW Satpura TPP Extn and

(iii) Associated System Strengthening Scheme in Madhya Pradesh was received from Government of Madhya Pradesh. The system strengthening scheme of Madhya Pradesh has been recommended by the Ministry of Power to Department of Economic Affairs, along with similar schemes of other States, for arranging World Bank assistance under their proposed additionality. Further, the possibility of assisting the evacuation schemes for Singaji (Malwa) and Satpura TPS was explored with ADB. They have conveyed that given the present level of exposure of ADB to the Madhya Pradesh State Power Sector is about USD 1.0 Billion and as such, it is difficult for them to consider any new power project in the State at this stage. To avoid construction delays, it has been suggested that all other financing resources may immediately be explored by the Government of Madhya Pradesh, including PFC.