GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF POWER

RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.1919 ANSWERED ON 19.12.2023

THANA PALON HYDRO POWER PROJECT

1919 # MS. INDU BALA GOSWAMI:

Will the Minister of **POWER** be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Thana palon hydro power project has got approval from the Forest Department;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the area of land to be acquired under the said project?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF POWER AND NEW & RENEWABLE ENERGY

(SHRI R.K. SINGH)

(a) & (b): The Government of Himachal Pradesh submitted a proposal on 30.07.2021 to Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change, Government of India, seeking prior approval of the Central Government under the "Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Adhiniyam, 1980" for diversion of 406.79 hectares forest land in favour of Himachal Pradesh Power Corporation Limited for the construction of Thana Plaun hydro power project.

The proposal is under examination in the Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change.

(c): A total of 426.97 hectares of land would be required for the project, including 406.79 hectares of forest land and 20.18 hectares of private land.
