GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF POWER

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.3078 TO BE ANSWERED ON 03.08.2017

BID FOR POWER TRANSMISSION PROJECTS

3078. DR. C. GOPALAKRISHNAN:

Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the China's State run Southern Power Grid plans to bid for power transmission projects in India, if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether Government is also attracting interest from foreign firms including Chinese companies;
- (c) if so, the details thereof;
- (d) the total number of Chinese companies interested to invest in India's power projects; and
- (e) the action taken or proposed to be taken by the Government on awarding projects to Chinese companies?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) FOR POWER, COAL, NEW & RENEWABLE ENERGY AND MINES

(SHRI PIYUSH GOYAL)

- (a) & (d): Yes, Madam, the China's State run Southern Power Grid, in association with CLP India Pvt. Ltd., is participating in the bidding process for three transmission projects being implemented through Tariff Based Competitive Bidding (TBCB).
- (b) & (c): As per the guidelines for "Tariff Based Competitive Bidding Guidelines for Transmission Service" and "Guidelines for Encouraging Competition in Development of Transmission Projects" issued by Government of India, Ministry of Power dated 13.04.2006 in pursuance of Section 63 of Electricity Act, the developer for establishment of Independent Transmission Project are selected through International Competitive Bidding (ICB), process.

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In the Independent Transmission Projects for which bidding process was conducted earlier, foreign companies like Isolux Corsan Concesiones, Spain, Instalaciones Inabensa S.A., Spain, CLP India Pvt. Ltd., Cobra Instalaciones Y Servicios S.A. Spain, Babcock and Brown Investment Holding (Singapore) Pvt Ltd., Singapore, State Grid International development Limited, Balfour Beatty Infrastructure Investments Ltd. in consortium with Tata Projects Ltd. had participated. In one of the Independent Transmission Project i.e. Transmission system associated with DGEN TPS (1200 MW) of Torrent Power Ltd.), the successful bidder was Instalaciones Inabensa, S.A., Spain.

(e): The three transmission projects, in which Chinese companies are participating, are under process.
