GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF POWER LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.3037 ANSWERED ON 21.12.2023

PUMPED STORAGE PROJECTS

3037. SHRI JUAL ORAM: SHRI JAGDAMBIKA PAL:

Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has recently approved or proposes to introduce Viability Gap Funding (VGF) for Pumped Storage Projects (PSPs);
- (b) if so, the time by which the guidelines would be issued in this regard;
- (c) whether the Government is formulating a set of guidelines for allocation of PSPs to the private sector on a nomination basis;
- (d) if so, whether the States have been consulted in this regard and if so, the details thereof;
- (e) the details of the PSPs currently operational in the country, specifying their capacity and locations, State/UT-wise; and
- (f) the details of new PSPs that have been initiated and are currently under construction along with their expected completion timelines, capacity and locationwise?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF POWER AND NEW & RENEWABLE ENERGY

(SHRI R.K. SINGH)

- (a) & (b): The Levelised cost of storage of Pumped Storage Projects is economically viable. Therefore, there are no plan to provide Viability Gap Funding for Pumped Storage Projects.
- (c) & (d): Ministry of Power has notified Guidelines to promote development of Pumped Storage Projects (PSP) in the country on 10thApril, 2023. There is no provision for allocation of PSPs to the private sector on nomination basis in the aforesaid guidelines.

At present, no proposal for allocation of PSPs to private sector on nomination basis is under consideration.

- (e): The details of PSPs currently operational in the country, State / UT- wise, is given at Annexure-I.
- (f): At present, four (4) no. of PSPs with aggregate installed capacity of 2780 MW are under construction in the country. The details are given at Annexure-II.

ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (e) OF UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3037 ANSWERED IN THE LOK SABHA ON 21.12.2023

PSPs currently installed in the country, State / UT- wise

S No.	Station	ation Installed Capacity (MW)	
Gujarat			
1	Kadana *	240	
2	SardarSarovar RBPH *	1,200	
Maharash	tra		
3	Ghatgarh	250	
4	Bhira	150	
Tamil Nad	lu		
5	Kadamparai	400	
Andhra Pr	adesh		
6	N J Sagar	705.6	
7	Srisailam LBPH	900	
West Beng	gal		
8	Purulia	900	
	Total	4,745	

Note: Kadana PSP & Sardar Sarovar RBPH are currently not operational in pumping mode.

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PSPs currently under construction

SI. No.	Name of Project	State	River Basin	IC (MW)	Tentative Year of Commissioning
1	Tehri PSS	Uttarakhand	Ganga	1000	2024-25
2	Pinnapuram	Andhra Pradesh	Pennar	1200	2024-25
3	Kundah PSP Ph-I, II & III	Tamil Nadu	Cauvery	500	2024-25
4	Koyna Left Bank *	Maharashtra	Krishna	80	2027-28
	Total			2,780	

Note: Construction activities at Koyna Left Bank are currently stalled.
