GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF POWER

LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO.431 TO BE ANSWERED ON 25.03.2021

OUTSTANDING DUES OF POWER COMPANIES

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Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the outstanding dues of power distribution and transmission companies have increased excessively in various parts of the country and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) the status in respect of Rajasthan State in this regard;
- (c) the rate of increase in the outstanding dues of various DISCOMs during the last three years and the current year; and
- (d) the efforts being made by the Government to recover the said our standing dues?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) FOR POWER, NEW & RENEWABLE ENERGY AND THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR SKILL DEVELOPMENT & ENTREPRENEURSHIP

(SHRI R.K. SINGH)

(a) to (d): A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (d) OF STARRED QUESTION NO. 431 TO BE ANSWERED IN THE LOK SABHA ON 25.03.2021 REGARDING OUTSTANDING DUES OF POWER COMPANIES

(a) to (c): Based on information available in the 'Report on Performance of State Power Utilities' which is published by Power Finance Corporation (PFC) Ltd., the payables for purchase of power and fuel for Power Distribution Utilities as on 31.03.2017, 31.03.2018 and 31.03.2019 were Rs.1,76,485 Crore, Rs.1,72,096 Crore and Rs.2,27,018 Crore respectively. The payables for purchase of power and fuel for Power Distribution Utilities decreased by 2.48% from 31st March 2017 to 31st March 2018 whereas the same had increased by 31.9% from 31st March 2018 to 31st March 2019. The State-wise and power utility-wise details are furnished at Annexure-I.

The payables for purchase of power and fuel for Power Distribution Utilities of Rajasthan as on 31.03.2017, 31.03.2018 and 31.03.2019 were Rs.13,565 Crore, Rs.14,138 Crore and Rs.23,283 Crore respectively. The payables for purchase of power and fuel for Power Distribution Utilities of Rajasthan has increased by 4.22% from 31st March 2017 to 31st March 2018 and by 64.68% from 31st March 2018 to 31st March 2019.

The receivables for sale of power by Power Distribution Utilities as on 31.03.2017, 31.03.2018 and 31.03.2019 were Rs.1,43,514 Crore, Rs.1,58,729 Crore and Rs.1,82,729 Crore respectively. The receivables for sale of power by Power Distribution Utilities increased by 10.6% from 31st March 2017 to 31st March 2018 and increased by 15.1% from 31st March 2018 to 31st March 2019. The State-wise and power utility-wise details are furnished at Annexure-II.

The receivables for sale of power for Power Distribution Utilities of Rajasthan as on 31.03.2017, 31.03.2018 and 31.03.2019 were Rs.2,744 Crore, Rs.2,817 Crore and Rs. 3,604 Crore respectively. The receivables for sale of power for Power Distribution Utilities of Rajasthan has increased by 2.7% from 31st March 2017 to 31st March 2018 and by 27.9% from 31st March 2018 to 31st March 2019.

There has been an increase in the outstanding dues of Inter-State Transmission System (ISTS) Charges payable by various Distribution Companies towards all ISTS licensees in the country particularly during the COVID-19 period i.e April, 2020 onwards. However, there is improvement in the outstanding dues from September, 2020 onwards.

The outstanding dues of ISTS Charges of transmission licensees including Power Grid Corporation of India Ltd (PGCIL) payable by all Distribution Companies as on 16.03.2021 are Rs. 8202 Crore (Statewise break up given at Annexure-III) and out of this, dues payable by DISCOMs of Rajasthan are Rs. 504.70 Crore. DISCOM-wise outstanding dues in Rajasthan are given at Annexure-IV. The rate of increase of the outstanding dues of ISTS charges payable by various DISCOMs during the last three years and the current year is furnished at Annexure-V

(d): Ministry of Power has highlighted the issue of clearing the power dues owed by the Power Distribution Companies (DISCOMs) in various fora such as Review, Planning & Monitoring (RPM) Meetings, Power Ministers Conferences etc. Letters have also been written to the States at various levels highlighting the performance of their Distribution Utilities, including the position of outstanding payables and receivables positions for clearing the same.

In order to tide over the liquidity problems of the power sector, exacerbated by the outbreak of COVID-19, the Government of India announced a Liquidity Infusion Scheme as part of Aatmanirbhar Bharat Abhiyan on 13th May, 2020. Under this intervention, Rural Electrification Corporation (REC) Ltd. and Power Finance Corporation (PFC) Ltd. are extending special long term transition loans up to 10 years to Discoms for liquidating outstanding dues (as on 30.06.2020) of CPSE Gencos & Transcos, IPPs and RE generators. So far, Loans to the extent of Rs.1,35,497 Crore have already been sanctioned and Rs. 46,322 Crore have been disbursed. The disbursement under the long term transition loans have been linked with DISCOMs undertaking specified reform measures.

All the Distribution Companies are continuously pursued by the Generating Companies and Inter State Transmission licensee for payment of outstanding dues. In case of default, notices for regulation of power supply as per Central Electricity Regulatory Commission (CERC) Regulation are served and Tripartite Agreement between Reserve Bank of India (RBI) and State Government has also been invoked in rare cases for recovery of dues.

ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN PARTS (a) TO (c) OF THE STATEMENT LAID IN REPLY TO STARRED QUESTION NO. 431 TO BE ANSWERED IN THE LOK SABHA ON 25.03.2021 REGARDING OUTSTANDING DUES OF POWER COMPANIES

Details of Payables for Purchase of Power

(In Rs. Crore)

					(IN KS.	Crore)	
	As on March	Rate of	As on	Rate of	As on March	Rate of	As on March
States/ Discoms	31, 2017	Increase/	March 31,	Increase/	31, 2019	Increase/	31, 2020
	01, 2017	(Decrease)	2018	(Decrease)	01, 2010	(Decrease)	(Provisional)
Andhra Pradesh	5,187	27.3%	6,603	226.4%	21,552	-33.7%	14,288
APEPDCL	1,893	42.5%	2,698	184.0%	7,661	-29.8%	5,376
APSPDCL	3,293	18.6%	3,905	255.8%	13,891	-35.9%	8,911
Assam	2,079	-30.3%	1,449	-59.0%	594	-18.8%	483
APDCL	2,079	-30.3%	1,449	-59.0%	594	-18.8%	483
Bihar	2,138	-17.0%	1,774	20.2%	2,133	92.9%	4,113
NBPDCL	500	46.4%	732	-13.0%	637	9.4%	696
SBPDCL	1,638	-36.4%	1,042	43.5%	1,496	128.4%	3,416
Chhattisgarh	2,631	16.7%	3,069	76.7%	5,424	15.9%	6,287
CSPDCL	2,631	16.7%	3,069	76.7%	5,424	15.9%	6,287
Delhi	15,818	8.6%	17,174	-0.5%	17,089	4.1%	17,785
BRPL	8,087	7.7%	8,711	-1.4%	8,587	5.6%	9,064
BYPL	6,569	10.2%	7,238	0.3%	7,261	4.8%	7,610
TPDDL	1,162	5.5%	1,225	1.4%	1,242	-10.5%	1,111
Gujarat	15	-11.0%	13	-17.8%	11	43.4%	15
DGVCL	4	25.7%	5	-32.7%	3	22.6%	4
MGVCL	1	151.7%	1	-6.5%	1	-3.5%	1
PGVCL	7	-52.9%	3	-12.7%	3	108.0%	6
UGVCL	3	6.5%	4	-6.2%	3	27.1%	4
Haryana	4,055	-7.4%	3,757	8.0%	4,058	-13.8%	3,500
DHBVNL	2,476	-7.7%	2,286	9.8%	2,510	-17.7%	2,066
UHBVNL	1,578	-6.8%	1,471	5.2%	1,548	-7.4%	1,434
Himachal	1,737	-37.0%	1,095	16.1%	1,271	-6.5%	1,188
Pradesh	.,	011070	1,000	101170	-,	0.0 70	1,100
HPSEBL	1,737	-37.0%	1,095	16.1%	1,271	-6.5%	1,188
Jharkhand	6,078	-1.2%	6,007	16.0%	6,968	19.1%	8,299
JBVNL	6,078	-1.2%	6,007	16.0%	6,968	19.1%	8,299
Karnataka	17,655	-5.7%	16,648	20.1%	19,999	1.8%	20,363
BESCOM	3,913	-28.6%	2,792	96.4%	5,485	11.5%	6,118
CHESCOM	2,868	-16.3%	2,402	11.4%	2,675	-4.8%	2,547
GESCOM	3,251	11.4%	3,621	0.0%	3,620	-10.2%	3,251
HESCOM	5,956	9.6%	6,527	7.0%	6,983	1.2%	7,067
MESCOM	1,667	-21.7%	1,306	-5.3%	1,236	11.6%	1,380
Kerala	818	18.3%	968	25.4%	1,215	31.6%	1,599
KSEBL	818	18.3%	968	25.4%	1,215	31.6%	1,599
Madhya Pradesh	8,666	13.9%	9,870	40.3%	13,850	18.4%	16,403
MPMaKVVCL	5,440	20.3%	6,547	36.3%	8,923	13.0%	10,081
MPPaKVVCL	619	2.7%	636	8.2%	688	-10.8%	614
MPPoKVVCL	2,606	3.1%	2,687	57.8%	4,240	34.6%	5,708
Maharashtra	25,015	-16.2%	20,965	-24.6%	15,809	20.8%	19,103
MSEDCL	25,015	-16.2%	20,965	-24.6%	15,809	20.8%	19,103
Manipur	149	5.0%	156	5.0%	164	26.9%	208
MSPDCL	149	5.0%	156	5.0%	164	26.9%	208
Meghalaya	933	40.9%	1,314	12.8%	1,483	22.4%	1,816
MePDCL	933	40.9%	1,314	12.8%	1,483	22.4%	1,816
Odisha	4,487	2.0%	4,576	14.6%	5,245	5.7%	5,543
CESU	1,453	2.3%	1,487	0.9%	1,500	2.6%	1,539
NESCO	979	-0.5%	974	-0.6%	969	15.4%	1,118
SOUTHCO							

WESCO	4 500	4.50/	4 400	27.40/	0.050	7.70/	4 000
Utility	1,520	-1.5%	1,498	37.4%	2,059	-7.7%	1,899
Punjab	2,520	8.5%	2,734	48.1%	4,050	-6.4%	3,793
PSPCL	2,520	8.5%	2,734	48.1%	4,050	-6.4%	3,793
Rajasthan	13,565	4.2%	14,138	64.7%	23,283	17.4%	27,338
AVVNL	3,557	-4.4%	3,399	59.9%	5,434	15.0%	6,250
JdVVNL	4,495	11.7%	5,022	85.3%	9,307	19.9%	11,159
JVVNL	5,514	3.7%	5,717	49.4%	8,542	16.2%	9,929
Tamil Nadu	14,541	-7.7%	13,416	27.9%	17,156	38.6%	23,777
TANGEDCO	14,541	-7.7%	13,416	27.9%	17,156	38.6%	23,777
Telangana	15,531	9.3%	16,976	39.8%	23,740	17.8%	27,978
TSNPDCL	4,089	11.2%	4,548	45.7%	6,627	22.8%	8,139
TSSPDCL	11,441	8.6%	12,428	37.7%	17,113	15.9%	19,838
Tripura	215	-33.1%	144	-44.8%	79	91.0%	152
TSECL	215	-33.1%	144	-44.8%	79	91.0%	152
Uttar Pradesh	26,332	-12.5%	23,045	48.3%	34,166	25.5%	42,866
DVVNL	3,979	-15.5%	3,360	106.3%	6,931	35.3%	9,375
KESCO	259	75.8%	456	132.9%	1,061	0.9%	1,070
MVVNL	6,095	-25.9%	4,514	53.9%	6,949	30.8%	9,088
PaVVNL	2,969	-15.6%	2,506	49.8%	3,754	7.6%	4,040
PuVVNL	13,030	-6.3%	12,209	26.7%	15,472	24.7%	19,294
Uttarakhand	2,221	4.5%	2,321	37.2%	3,186	-45.9%	1,725
UPCL	2,221	4.5%	2,321	37.2%	3,186	-45.9%	1,725
West Bengal	4,103	-5.3%	3,884	15.6%	4,491	46.5%	6,581
WBSEDCL	4,103	-5.3%	3,884	15.6%	4,491	46.5%	6,581
Grand Total	1,76,485	-2.5%	1,72,096	31.9%	2,27,018	12.4%	2,55,200

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Details of Receivables for Sale of Power

(In Rs. Crore)

		Rate of		Rate of	As on
States/ Discoms	As on March	Increase/	As on March	Increase/	March 31,
	31, 2017	(Decrease)	31, 2018	(Decrease)	2019
Andhra Pradesh	4,033	36.5%	5,505	22.8%	6,759
APEPDCL	1,303	29.2%	1,684	30.3%	2,193
APSPDCL	2,729	40.0%	3,822	19.5%	4,566
Assam	1,324	-6.7%	1,235	25.6%	1,552
APDCL	1,324	-6.7%	1,235	25.6%	1,552
Bihar	2,803	16.7%	3,271	27.9%	4,185
NBPDCL	1,300	29.4%	1,683	12.3%	1,890
SBPDCL	1,503	5.7%	1,588	44.5%	2,296
Chhattisgarh	1,864	57.4%	2,933	60.0%	4,693
CSPDCL	1,864	57.4%	2,933	60.0%	4,693
Delhi	739	-0.4%	736	17.5%	865
BRPL	312	-2.4%	305	19.3%	363
BYPL	224	-3.0%	217	13.8%	247
TPDDL	203	5.7%	215	18.6%	254
Gujarat	2,046	-7.9%	1,885	4.0%	1,960
DGVCL	800	-52.5%	380	-18.4%	310
MGVCL	275	22.6%	338	5.5%	356
PGVCL	325	29.4%	420	15.0%	483
UGVCL	646	15.6%	747	8.5%	810
Haryana	3,678	0.7%	3,702	-19.8%	2,967
DHBVNL	2,462	-12.2%	2,161	-1.7%	2,124
UHBVNL	1,216	26.8%	1,541	-45.2%	844
Himachal					
Pradesh	781	-39.7%	471	4.9%	495
HPSEBL	781	-39.7%	471	4.9%	495
Jharkhand	1,927	34.7%	2,596	23.1%	3,196
JBVNL	1,927	34.7%	2,596	23.1%	3,196
Karnataka	12,477	-48.1%	6,475	9.4%	7,083
BESCOM	7,100	-66.3%	2,396	23.4%	2,957
CHESCOM	1,445	-29.6%	1,017	14.2%	1,161
GESCOM	1,600	-51.5%	775	30.9%	1,015
HESCOM	1,797	5.3%	1,892	-18.6%	1,541
MESCOM	536	-26.3%	395	3.8%	409
Kerala	1,923	19.5%	2,299	-44.0%	1,288
KSEBL	1,923	19.5%	2,299	-44.0%	1,288

Madhya Pradesh	8,127	19.0%	9,674	-14.3%	8,286
MPMaKVVCL	3,597	25.7%	4,522	-21.8%	3,534
MPPaKVVCL	1,822	0.6%	1,832	-12.6%	1,601
MPPoKVVCL	2,708	22.6%	3,320	-5.1%	3,150
Maharashtra	30,338	6.7%	32,366	12.3%	36,362
MSEDCL	30,338	6.7%	32,366	12.3%	36,362
Manipur	427	5.9%	453	5.5%	478
MSPDCL	427	5.9%	453	5.5%	478
Meghalaya	555	10.5%	613	-3.5%	591
MePDCL	555	10.5%	613	-3.5%	591
Odisha	3,658	3.8%	3,799	1.4%	3,850
CESU	1,734	10.4%	1,915	5.7%	2,024
NESCO Utility	635	1.7%	646	8.2%	699
SOUTHCO Utility	391	-3.1%	379	14.0%	432
WESCO Utility	898	-4.3%	859	-19.0%	696
Punjab	3,144	17.8%	3,704	19.6%	4,431
PSPCL	3,144	17.8%	3,704	19.6%	4,431
Rajasthan	2,744	2.7%	2,817	27.9%	3,604
AVVNL	446	7.4%	479	25.5%	602
JdVVNL	901	-7.7%	832	46.5%	1,218
JVVNL	1,396	7.9%	1,506	18.4%	1,784
Tamil Nadu	4,306	30.4%	5,616	14.1%	6,406
TANGEDCO	4,306	30.4%	5,616	14.1%	6,406
Telangana	4,665	39.7%	6,519	56.1%	10,178
TSNPDCL	1,408	41.9%	1,999	64.0%	3,278
TSSPDCL	3,257	38.8%	4,521	52.6%	6,900
Tripura	147	34.5%	197	14.8%	227
TSECL	147	34.5%	197	14.8%	227
Uttar Pradesh	46,774	21.4%	56,790	20.1%	68,220
DVVNL	10,785	16.7%	12,590	20.8%	15,212
KESCO	2,257	11.6%	2,518	8.5%	2,731
MVVNL	10,144	28.1%	12,993	24.2%	16,136
PaVVNL	6,788	22.7%	8,329	20.6%	10,043
PuVVNL	16,800	21.2%	20,360	18.4%	24,098
Uttarakhand	403	-8.9%	368	27.5%	469
UPCL	403	-8.9%	368	27.5%	469
West Bengal	4,631	1.6%	4,703	-2.6%	4,583
WBSEDCL	4,631	1.6%	4,703	-2.6%	4,583
Grand Total	1,43,514	10.6%	1,58,729	15.1%	1,82,729

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Dues payable by DISCOMs/States for Transmission Charges

01		Total Dues as on						
SI.	DISCOMs	31.03.2017	31.03.2018	31.03.2019	31.03.2020	16.03.2021		
No.	 		1010					
1	Andhra Pradesh	128.7	134.3	162.4	90.4	225.5		
2	Telangana	51.8	179.3	357.3	346.3	742.8		
3	Arunachal Pradesh	1.0	3.2	0.0	5.8	7.6		
4	Assam	75.5	0.0	0.0	66.3	98.5		
5	Bihar	124.7	18.7	49.2	220.8	339.5		
6	Chhattisgarh	0.0	26.5	47.5	43.3	132.0		
7	Goa	0.0	0.5	8.0	0.0	0.0		
8	Gujarat	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0		
9	Haryana	248.0	264.4	217.9	98.5	138.4		
10	Himachal Pradesh	60.0	4.7	0.0	21.2	100.8		
11	Jammu & Kashmir	135.9	211.6	159.7	637.7	862.3		
12	Jharkhand	15.6	3.0	21.1	19.2	60.9		
13	Karnataka	205.7	108.6	193.8	264.9	411.6		
14	Kerala	0.0	1.7	3.9	0.9	0.9		
15	Madhya Pradesh	18.6	16.5	7.8	214.6	851.3		
16	Maharashtra	257.7	53.0	499.6	271.3	488.5		
17	Manipur	16.5	4.3	7.5	22.6	27.9		
18	Meghalaya	34.2	10.9	10.4	34.2	60.2		
19	Mizoram	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.9	16.8		
20	Nagaland	0.0	0.9	3.3	5.4	18.9		
21	Odisha	22.0	22.0	23.3	23.3	23.6		
22	Punjab	193.3	220.8	144.6	183.4	394.6		
23	Rajasthan	30.5	71.8	236.9	466.1	504.7		
24	Sikkim	0.0	0.0	2.4	13.2	8.3		
25	Tamil Nadu	210.1	157.8	202.4	106.2	801.0		
26	Tripura	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0		
27	Uttar Pradesh	399.8	398.2	765.5	866.9	1479.9		
28	Uttarakhand	62.1	67.0	116.6	103.6	48.8		
29	West Bengal	151.1	110.7	91.9	101.1	165.1		
30	Dadra & Nagar Haveli	6.1	0.0	0.0	32.4	0.9		
31	Daman & Diu	0.0	0.0	21.2	0.0	0.3		
32	DVC	104.1	139.8	183.3	9.8	20.5		
33	Puducherry	2.1	6.0	4.9	13.1	12.7		
34	Chandigarh	17.7	10.4	2.7	3.2	0.0		
35.	Delhi Discoms							
36	BRPL	92.7	11.9	0.0	0.0	65.8		
37	BYPL	54.9	46.2	48.6	102.4	81.9		
38	TPDDL	45.8	66.2	31.5	0.0	0.0		
39	NDMC	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	9.5		
	Total	2766	2371	3618	4389	8202		

	Charge % of Dues w.r.t. previous year	-14.28%	52.61%	21.31%	86.88%
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ANNEXURE-IV

ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN PARTS (a) TO (c) OF THE STATEMENT LAID IN REPLY TO STARRED QUESTION NO. 431 TO BE ANSWERED IN THE LOK SABHA ON 25.03.2021 REGARDING OUTSTANDING DUES OF POWER COMPANIES

	Total Dues of Rajasthan DISCOMs as on 16.03.2021								
	amount in Rs. Ci								
SI. No.	DISCOMs	Total	> 45 days						
1	AVVN	142.25	48.38						
2	JDVVN	222.79	107.81						
3	JVVN	139.69	0.12						
Total		504.73	156.31						

ANNEXURE-V

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Summary of Billing and Realization – All Licensees

SI.	Description	As on				
No.		31.03.2017	31.03.2018	31.03.2019	31.03.2020	19.03.2021
1.	Billing (Rs. in Cr.)	29991	32854	36494	43767	42766
2.	Realization (Rs. in Cr.)	29626	32461	34525	43803	39759
3.	% Realization (in %)	98.78	98.8	94.6	100.08	92.97
4.	Outstanding dues (Rs. in Cr.)	3376	3769	5738	5702	8709
5.	No. of days billing	41.09	41.87	57.39	47.68	74.33