GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF POWER LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.1635 ANSWERED ON 01.08.2024

HYDRO POTENTIAL IN THE COUNTRY

1635 SHRI DUSHYANT SINGH: SHRI RAJKUMAR CHAHAR:

Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the Power Purchase Agreement between Ratle Hydro Electric Power Corporation Limited (RHPCL) and Rajasthan Urja Vikas, IT Services Limited;

(b) whether the Government has taken any initiative to harness the hydro potential including the hydro pumped storage potential and if so, the details thereof;

(c) the details of the hydro potential in the country, State-wise; and

(d) the number of hydro projects in the country whose Detailed Project Reports (DPRs) have been concurred by the Central Electricity Authority (CEA) during the last ten years for taking up construction along with the number of DPRs under preparation, State-wise?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER

(SHRI SHRIPAD NAIK)

(a): The Power Purchase Agreement (PPA) between Ratle Hydro Electric Power Corporation Limited (RHPCL) and Rajasthan Urja Vikas, IT Services Limited has been signed on 03.01.2024 for purchase of power from Ratle Hydroelectric Project for a period of 40 years at a tariff to be determined by the Central Electricity Regulatory Commission (CERC).

(b): The Government of India has taken following initiatives to harness the hydro potential including the hydro pumped storage potential:

i. Declaring large hydropower projects (capacity above 25 MW) as renewable energy source.

- ii. Hydro Purchase Obligation (HPO) as a separate entity within Non-solar Renewable Purchase Obligation (RPO).
- iii. Tariff rationalization measures for bringing down hydropower tariff.
- iv. Budgetary support for Flood Moderation/Storage hydroelectric projects.
- v. Budgetary support towards cost of enabling infrastructure, i.e. roads/bridges.
- vi. Guidelines to promote development of Pumped Storage Projects (PSPs) in the country was issued on 10th April, 2023.
- vii. Waiver of Inter State Transmission System (ISTS) charges for hydroelectric projects and PSPs.
- viii. Reduction of timeline by Central Electricity Authority (CEA) for concurrence of Detailed Project Report (DPR).

(c): As per the reassessment study carried out by CEA during the period 2017-2023, the exploitable large hydro potential in the country is 1,33,410 MW. Further, the identified pumped storage potential is 1,76,280 MW. The State/UT-wise details are attached at Annexure-I.

(d): CEA has concurred 24 hydroelectric schemes including PSPs with an aggregate installed capacity of 15,569 MW during the last ten years. Further, 17 hydroelectric projects aggregating to 11,376 MW and 38 PSPs aggregating to 55,330 MW are under Survey & Investigation (S&I) for preparation of DPR. The State/UT-wise details are attached at Annexure-II.

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ANNEXURE REFERRED IN REPLY TO PART (c) OF UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1635 ANSWERED IN THE LOK SABHA ON 01.08.2024

<u>State/UT-wise details of Hydro Potential including Pumped Storage Potential</u> (Installed capacity - above 25 MW)

	CONVENTIONAL	PUMPED STORAGE	
Region/ State/ UT	Exploitable Potential(MW)	Exploitable Potential*(MW)	
NORTHERN		· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	
Jammu & Kashmir	12264		
Ladakh	707		
Himachal Pradesh	18305	7260	
Punjab	1301		
Haryana			
Rajasthan	411	9200	
Uttarakhand	13481	1000	
Uttar Pradesh	502	13440	
Sub Total (NR)	46971	30900	
WESTERN	·		
Madhya Pradesh	2819	8560	
Chhattisgarh	1311	8925	
Gujarat	550	6140	
Maharashtra	3144	42955	
Goa			
Sub Total (WR)	7824	66580	
SOUTHERN		•	
Andhra Pradesh	2596	26420	
Telangana	1302	8755	
Karnataka	4414	7600	
Kerala	2473	1200	
Tamil Nadu	1785	16500	
Sub Total (SR)	12570	60475	
EASTERN			
Jharkhand	300	1500	
Bihar	130		
Odisha	2825	4795	
West Bengal	809	5500	
Sikkim	6051		
Sub Total (ER)	10115	11795	
NORTH EASTERN		·	
Meghalaya	2026		
Tripura			
Manipur	615		
Assam	643	320	
Nagaland	325		
Arunachal Pradesh	50394	660	
Mizoram	1927	5550	
Sub Total (NER)	55930	6530	
ALL INDIA	133410	176280	

* Exploitable Potential is subject to change due to addition/deletion of project and change in Installed capacity of Projects.

ANNEXURE REFERRED IN REPLY TO PART (d) OF UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1635 ANSWERED IN THE LOK SABHA ON 01.08.2024

<u>State/UT-wise number of Hydro Schemes including Pumped Storage Projects</u> (PSPs) concurred by CEA during last ten years along with number of Projects under Survey & Investigation (S&I) for preparation of DPR

SI. No.	State/ UT	Number of Hydro Electric Schemes including PSPs concurred by CEA during last ten years	Number of Hydro Projects under S&I for preparation of DPR	Nos. of PSPs under S&I for preparation of DPR
1	Andhra Pradesh	2	-	16
2	Arunachal Pradesh	5	8	-
3	Assam	1	-	-
4	Himachal Pradesh	5	4	-
5	Jammu & Kashmir	6	1	-
6	Manipur	1	-	-
7	Meghalaya	2	1	-
8	West Bengal	1	1	-
9	Odisha	1	-	-
10	Uttarakhand	-	1	-
11	Kerala	-	1	=
12	Rajasthan	-	-	3
13	Uttar Pradesh	-	-	4
14	Madhya Pradesh	-	-	2
15	Maharashtra	-	-	10
16	Karnataka	-	-	3
	Total	24	17	38

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