

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.3825
TO BE ANSWERED ON 09.08.2016

Pending Projects

3825. SHRI NINONG ERING:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether a large number of projects/proposals from North Eastern States including Arunachal Pradesh are pending with the Union Government for environment and forest clearance;
- (b) if so, the details thereof including the reasons therefor, State, project and location-wise;
- (c) the steps being taken by the Government to expedite the clearances for overall development of North Eastern Region; and
- (d) the time by which the clearance for pending projects are likely to be accorded?

A N S W E R

**MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) FOR ENVIRONMENT,
FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE**

(SHRI ANIL MADHAV DAVE)

- (a) & (b) A list of 17 projects for Environment Clearance (EC) and 2 projects for Forest Clearance (FC) from North Eastern States, including Arunachal Pradesh, pending in the Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change is annexed.
- (c) The major initiatives taken by the Ministry to streamline the process of EC and FC, *inter-alia* include use of information technology, increasing of Regional Offices from six to ten, constitution of Regional Empowered Committees (REC), delegation of powers to Regional Office for forest diversion, grant of FC by RECs for linear projects, delegation of more powers to State level Environment Impact Assessment Authorities (SEIAAs), standardization of Terms of Reference for all sectors, finalisation of ToRs within 30 days, general approval for roads and other strategic infrastructure in area of 100 km from line of actual control, exemption to highway projects in border states from scoping requirement and exempting linear projects in border states from the requirement of public hearing subject to suitable conditions, delegation of powers to District Environment Impact Assessment Authority (DEIAA) headed by District Magistrate/District Collector for mining of minor minerals including sand, constitution of additional Expert

Appraisal Committees, regular meetings of the Expert Appraisal Committees, review of pending projects at various levels in the government etc.

- (d) Proposals for grant of EC and FC are dealt as per the provisions of the Environment Impact Assessment Notification, 2006 as amended from time to time and Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 respectively, which *inter-alia* provide timelines for each stage of consideration. Precise time frame for grant of EC of all the pending projects of North Eastern States cannot be indicated at this stage in view of the various processes involved, requirement of requisite documentation including river basin studies, Forest Clearance etc.

ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (a) & (b) OF LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3825 DUE FOR REPLY ON 09.08.2016 REGARDING 'PENDING PROJECTS' RAISED BY SHRI NINONG ERING, HON'BLE MEMBER OF PARLIAMENT.

A. Environmental Clearance

| S. No. | Name of Project | State |
|---------------|--|-------------------|
| 1 | Naying HEP (1000 MW) Project of M/s. Naying DSC Power Ltd., District-West Siang. | Arunachal Pradesh |
| 2 | Talong Londa HEP Project (225 MW) of M/s GMR Londa Hydropower Pvt. Ltd., District-East Kameng | Arunachal Pradesh |
| 3 | Pemashelpu HEP Project (80 MW) of M/s. Mechuka Hydro Power Pvt. Ltd., District-West Siang. | Arunachal Pradesh |
| 4 | Kalai-II HEP Project (1200 MW) of M/s. Kalai Power Pvt. Ltd., District-Anjaw. | Arunachal Pradesh |
| 5 | Etalín HEP Project (3097 MW) of M/s. Jindal Power Ltd., District-Dibang. | Arunachal Pradesh |
| 6 | Mago Chu HEP (96 MW) Project of M/s. Sew Mago Chu Power Corporation Pvt. Ltd., District-Tawang | Arunachal Pradesh |
| 7 | Nyukcharong Chu HEP (96 MW) Project of M/s. New Sew Nyukcharong Chu Power Corporation Pvt. Ltd., District-Tawang | Arunachal Pradesh |
| 8 | New Melling HEP (90 MW) Project of M/s. Sew Energy Pvt. Ltd., District-Tawang. | Arunachal Pradesh |
| 9 | Tagurshit HEP (74 MW) of M/s. L & T Arunachal Hydro Power Ltd., District-West Siang | Arunachal Pradesh |
| 10 | 500 TPD clinker (Rotary Kiln) unit and 500 TPD Cement grinding (closed circuit) at Dag 144, 145, 146, 147 & 151 of K.P. Patta No. 19, 21, 42 & 9 under G.P.S. co-ordinate 26°05,12.96"N and 91°52,4930" E, Village-Am b her, 12tb Mile, Jorabat, Mouza- Sonapur, Dist- Kamrup, (M) in Assam by M/s K. R. Associates. | Assam |
| 11 | Drilling of Development wells (40 nos.) and Exploratory / Appraisal wells (5 nos.) in the Kharsang Oil Field at District Chnlang, Arunachal Pradesh by M/s Geo Enpro Petroleum. | Arunachal Pradesh |
| 12 | On shore Oil & Gas exploration in Deomali PEL area in Tirap and Changlang Districts in the state of Arunachal Pradesh by M/s Oil India Limited | Arunachal Pradesh |
| 13 | Euro-IV HSD Project along with Installation of LPG Mounded Bullet and Facility upgradation of Existing LPG Bottling Plant & Complete at Bokakhat Tehsil, Goaghat District, Assam by M/s Numaligarh refinery Limited. | Assam |
| 14 | Development drilling (3 wells), construction of GGS and laying of transportation pipeline at onshore block AAP-ON-94/1, village Dirok, Tea Estate, Tehsil Margherita, District | Assam |

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| | Tinsukia, Assam by M/s Hindustan Oil Exploration Company. | |
| 15 | Development/Exploratory Wells, Group Gathering Station and pipeline laying from KSAC to Borholla GGS at Kasomarigaon, Assam by M/s ONGC | Assam |
| 16 | Development Drilling of 2 exploratory wells in Khoraghat by M/s Oil And natural Gas Corporation (ONGC) Ltd. | Assam |
| 17 | Exploratory drilling in Pre-NELP Block AA-ONJ/2 at district Cachar, Assam by M/s ONGC Ltd. | Assam |

B. Forest Clearance

| Sl. No. | Project Details | State |
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| 1 | Proposal for diversion of 0.70 ha of forest land of Nandadgiri RF and 1.12 ha of Nayekgaon PRF II under Haltugaon Division for 132 KV S/C Transmission line from 220 KV Salakati Grid to 132 KV Kokrajhar S/S. | Assam |
| 2 | For construction of Imphal- Kanchup- Tamenlong Road Section | Manipur |
