

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
POWER
LOK SABHA**

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T AND D LOSSES

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Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government had fixed target to minimize the losses in transmission and distribution of power during the Tenth Five Year Plan;
- (b) if so, the percentage of losses of total power generation likely to be suffered in transmission and distribution at initial stage and at end of Tenth Five Year Plan;
- (c) whether the Government has also fixed an annual target in order to check such losses;
- (d) if so, whether the Government proposes to set up an empowered Group on Transmission and Distribution of power; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF POWER (SHRI SUSHILKUMAR SHINDE)

- (a) : Government had launched Accelerated Power Development and Reforms Programme (APDRP) in the year 2002-03 in order to reduce Aggregate Technical and Commercial (AT&C) losses, improving quality of supply of power, increasing revenue collection and improving consumer satisfaction. The target was to reduce AT&C losses to 15% in five years to begin with in urban and high density consumption areas.
- (b) : As reported by Power Finance Corporation, the AT&C losses of the state distribution companies at national level were reduced to 33.83% for 2004-05. At town level, AT&C Losses have been brought below 20 percent in 212 APDRP towns in the country of which 169 towns have brought AT&C losses below 15 percent.
- (c) : The targets at utility/state level are fixed by respective State Electricity Regulatory Commission (SERC). Under APDRP, targets are fixed for reduction AT&C loss for the town/area covered under the programme.
- (d) : No, Sir.
- (e) : Does not arise in view of reply to (d) above.