GOVERNMENT OF INDIA POWER LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2883
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FUNDS FROM NRI THROUGH COUPON RATE BONDS
MADHAVRAO SCINDIA;RENUKA CHOWDHURY;SUSHIL KUMAR SAMBHAJIRAO SHINDE

Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government proposed to permit cash-rich public sector power companies to raise foreign currency funds from non-resident Indians through a fixed coupon rate bonds;
- (b) if so, the decision taken in this regard, indicating the terms of the bonds and the amount in foreign exchange to be raised thereby; and
- (c) the details of companies have since issued the bonds and the amount raised by them?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER (SHRIMATI JAYAWANTI MEHTA)

(a) to (c): At present, there is no proposal under consideration in the Ministry of Power to permit public sector power companies to raise foreign currency funds from Non-Resident Indians through a fixed coupon rate bonds.