

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
POWER
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:734

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SAFETY OF TEHRI DAM

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SAMBHAJIRAO SHINDE

Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government have made a fresh study relating to seismological aspects and safety of the Tehri-Dam in the context of protestations, not only from the public in general but also scientists and geologists and in the context of recent earthquake in Kutch in Gujarat;

(b) if so, the details and the outcome thereof; and

(c) the final decision of the Government regarding its implementation and Completion thereof?

Answer

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

(a) to (c) : In the wake of Bhuj earthquake of January, 2001, the Government have constituted a Committee headed by Minister of Human Resources Development and Science & Technology on 10.4.2001 to go into the concerns raised regarding seismic safety of Tehri Dam and the possible impact of Tehri Dam on self-purification quality of Ganga Jal. The Committee has held extensive discussions. The Government has extended the tenure of the Committee upto 14.8.2001 to enable the Committee finalise its report. After the report of the Committee is received, the Government shall accord its highest consideration to the recommendations made in the report.