## GOVERNMENT OF INDIA POWER LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3943 ANSWERED ON:13.12.2001 PROJECT OF NEPAL RAMSHETH THAKUR;RAVINDRA KUMAR PANDEY

## Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government have been assisting Karnali, Panchessewar and Saptokosi hydro projects in Nepal;
- (b) if so, whether any project report have been prepared in this regard;
- (c) if so, the details thereof;
- (d) the benefits shared by both the countries; and
- (e) the details of investment made in these projects by the Government?

## **Answer**

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

- (a) to (c): According to the Ministry of Water Resources, which is the nodal Ministry for these Multipurpose Projects, the Government of India and Government of Nepal are jointly preparing the Detailed Project Report of Pancheshwar Multipurpose Project. As regards Sapta Kosi High Dam Multipurpose Project and Sun Kosi Storageum Diversion Scheme, the inception report has recently been finalised paving way for preparation of Joint Detailed Project Report. The matter is under discussion with regard to Karnali.
- (d) & (e): Since the projects are still under investigation, benefits to be accrued to both the countries from these projects and likely investment to be made by the Government of India in these projects can be assessed and finalized only after the finalisation of the DPRs.