GOVERNMENT OF INDIA POWER LOK SABHA

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JOINT POWER WORKING GROUP
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Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government are planning to form a joint Power Working Group comprising of Indian and British experts in power sector;
- (b) if so, details and the objectives thereof;
- (c) whether any agreement has been signed in this regard; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

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

(a) to (d): During the visit of the Ministry of Power to U.K. in the last week of June 2002, a MOU was signed between India and U.K. for cooperation in the power sector. The MOU, inter-alia, envisages establishment of a Joint Power Sector Working Group topromote and facilitate reforms in the power sector. It also envisages sector related studies, exchange of experts and other forms of cooperation in power generation, transmission and distribution. The MOU also speaks of cooperation in the field of powerby sharing information, experience and best practices.