

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
POWER
LOK SABHA**

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INCENTIVE TO STATES TO MINIMISE THE LOSSES
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Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government have started a scheme to give incentive to the States to minimize the loss in power sector;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the incentive given by the Government under the said scheme during the year 2002-2003, State-wise?

Answer

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

(a) to (c) : The Accelerated Power Development and Reforms Programme (APDRP) approved by the Government of India on March 31, 2003, has an incentive component to encourage/motivate State Electricity Boards (SEBs)/Utilities to reduce cash losses. Under this scheme, 50% of actual cash loss reduction by the SEBs/Utilities will be given as grant by the Government of India to respective States. During the financial year 2002-03, three States viz., Maharashtra, Gujarat and Haryana have shown cash loss reduction to the tune of Rs.579.74 crore, Rs.1072.29 crore and Rs.10.02 crore respectively and have become eligible for incentive of Rs.289.87 crore, Rs.536.245 crore and Rs.5.01 crore respectively. So far, incentives to these States amounting to Rs.137.89 crore, Rs.236.37 crore and Rs.5.01 crore respectively have been released on March 31, 2003.