

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
POWER
LOK SABHA**

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POWER CONDITION IN BIHAR
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Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

- (a) whether any proposal from the State Government of Bihar has been received by the Union Government to improve the power condition;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the steps taken by the Union Government for generation and transmission of electricity in Bihar; and
- (d) the amount allocated for the same in 2002-03?

Answer

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

(a) to (d) : Planning Commission has recommended a package of Rs.4420 crores for a period of ten years to improve the power supply position in Bihar.

Rs. Crores.

I. R&M	421
II. T&D	994
III. Rural Electrification	255
IV. Hydro Development	500
V Generation	2250

Total 4420 Crores

A scheme amounting to Rs.365 crores for improvement of sub-transmission and distribution system in Bihar with a special grant to be made available by the Planning Commission under special economic package for Bihar, (after its bifurcation), has been agreed to and Memorandum of Understanding for the same is being signed. To augment availability of power in the State of Bihar, the following steps are also being taken:

(i) Besides capacity addition of 135 MW in State Sector in Bihar, a capacity addition of 5650 MW has been planned in Central Sector in Eastern Region in which the State of Bihar will have entitlements.

(ii) Implementation of Renovation, Modernization and Life Extension (R&M &LE) Scheme for old and inefficient generating units for overall improvement in generation performance.

Under Accelerated Power Development Rural Programme for improvement of ST&D scheme during 2002-03, ST&D Project costing Rs.737.97 crores have been sanctioned and Rs.66.11 crores have been released by the Government of India to Bihar Rs.12.48 crores has been utilized as on 15.11.2003 and NIT (Notice Inviting Tender) amounting to Rs.291.49 crores has been issued.

Allocation of funds to Bihar for rural electrification works during 2002-03 is as under:-

1. PMGY (Pradhan Mantri Gramodaya Yojana) Rs.24.17 Crores

2. MNP (Minimum Needs Programme) Rs.68 Crores.

