GOVERNMENT OF INDIA POWER LOK SABHA

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TARGET FOR POWER GENERATION
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Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has announced the target of one lakh additional megawatt in power generation in next ten years as reported in the Rashtriya Sahara dated July 18, 2004;
- (b) if so, the facts thereof;
- (c) the funds earmarked for the purpose and the steps taken/proposed to be taken by the Government to achieve the target; and
- (d) the names of the States to be benefited there from?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF POWER(SHRIP.M. SAYEED)

(a) to (d): Yes, Sir. To eliminate shortages by 2012, Central Electricity Authority had estimated the requirement of additional capacity of 1,00,000 MW by 2012. Out of this, a capacity of 41,110 MW has been targeted for being set up in the 10th Plan to benefit all the Sates.

The steps taken by the Government to realize this target, inter-alia, include:

- The 10th Plan capacity addition targets were finalized in consultation with the States and on the basis of identification of individual projects.
- The monitoring mechanism has been strengthened. The CEA has a nodal officer for each project, both at the conception stage as well as during execution. In addition, regular review meetings are being organized in the Ministry of Power.
- In order to make up for any shortfall in original targets during 10th Plan, back up projects have been identified in consultation with States/CPSUs.
- Power Finance Corporation and Rural Electrification Corporation have mobilized themselves adequately to see that the execution of a good project is not hampered due to lack of funds.
- The Central Plan outlay has been increased by more than three times in the 10th Plan in comparison to 9th Plan.

The Tenth Plan outlay on power sector in the public sector has been set at Rs. 270276.36 crore (Rs. 177050.64 crore for central sector and Rs. 93225.72 crore for state sector).