

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
POWER
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DIBANG VALLEY HYDEL POWER PROJECT
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Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government proposes to set up a Hydel Power Project in Dibang valley;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether clearance of the project has been accorded; and
- (d) if so, the estimated cost of the project and the names of the States likely to be benefited therefrom?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER (SHRI SUSHIL KUMAR SHINDE)

(a) & (b) : The Dibang Multipurpose Project of 3000 MW capacity on the Dibang river has been entrusted to National Hydroelectric Power Corporation Ltd. (NHPC) for development. This is a multipurpose project with attendant benefits of flood moderation etc. and is located about 1.5 Km upstream of the confluence of the Ashu Pani River with Dibang river, in the Lower Dibang Valley District of Arunachal Pradesh. The project is expected to be completed in 9 years after investment approval.

(c) & (d) : Central Electricity Authority (CEA) has accorded its concurrence to the project on 23.01.2008. The Public Investment Board (PIB) in its meeting held on 28.01.2008 has recommended the project at an estimated cost of Rs.15,886.40 crores at November, 2007 Price Level. The project is to be accorded investment approval after all the statutory clearances such as environment and forest clearance etc. have been obtained by NHPC. The power from the project is expected to be supplied to the States in the North Eastern Region and also to other deficit States in the Northern, Western and Eastern Regions.