

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
POWER
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1437

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DABHOL POWER PROJECT

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Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the National Thermal Power Corporation and the GAIL propose to restart the Dabhol power project with an equity contribution of Rs.500 crores each as reported in the Economic Times, dated 06.02.2005;
- (b) if so, the reaction of the Government thereto;
- (c) whether the Government has dropped any financial investment in the revival of the project; and
- (d) if so, the facts thereof?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF POWER (SHRI P.M. SAYEED)

(a) to (d): The Government of India has constituted an Empowered Group of Ministers (EGOM) to examine and decide all issues related to the Dabhol Power Project. The EGOM has met on several occasions and is considering the various alternate options for restructuring the Dabhol project. The EGOM will decide on the details of the restructuring of the project keeping all relevant aspects in view.