

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
POWER  
LOK SABHA**

STARRED QUESTION NO:36  
ANSWERED ON:03.07.2009  
DEMAND FOR POWER  
Rao Shri Kavuri Samba Siva

**Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether any assessment has been made on the increasing demand for power in the domestic, industrial and infrastructure sectors in the country during the last three years;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether there is shortage of funds for setting up new power projects in the country;
- (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) the action taken by the Government in this regard?

**Answer**

THE MINISTER OF POWER ( SHRI SUSHILKUMAR SHINDE )

(a) to (e) : A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (e) OF STARRED QUESTION NO. 36 TO BE ANSWERED IN THE LOK SABHA ON 03.07.2009 REGARDING DEMAND FOR POWER.

(a) & (b) : The forecast of category-wise electricity consumption during the last three years, according to the 17th Electric Power Survey conducted by the Central Electricity Authority (CEA) is enclosed at Annex-I.

(c) to (e) : Based on the Report of Planning Commission's Working Group on Power for the 11th Plan and information provided by CEA, in its draft report dated Feb. 10, 2009, the Sub-Committee of the Group of Ministers on 'financial issues of power sector' has estimated a total funds requirement for generation, transmission, distribution, R&M and others of Rs.10,59,515 crore. Assuming a debt equity ratio of 70:30, the debt requirement has been assessed at Rs.6,93,326 crore and equity at Rs.3,66,189 crore. After assessing the funds requirement and available financial resources, the Sub-Committee estimated a total funding gap of Rs.4,21,642 crore. The details of funds requirement for Eleventh Plan, the fund availability and funding gap is enclosed at Annex-II.