

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
POWER
LOK SABHA**

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IMPORT OF POWER FROM NEIGHBOURING COUNTRIES
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Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government imports power from the neighbouring countries to meet the domestic requirement of power in the country;
- (b) if so, the name of countries from which power has been imported along with the quantum of power imported during the last three years and the current year;
- (c) whether the Government has formulated any policy to make the country self-reliant/self-sufficient in respect of power generation; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER(SHRI BHARATSINH SOLANKI)

(a) & (b) : The quantum of hydropower imported from Bhutan in the last three years is as follows:

Sl. No. Year Import of Hydropower by India from
Bhutan (Million Units)

1. 2007-08 5228

2. 2008-09 5881

3. 2009-10 5335

The Government of India is collaborating with Bhutan to develop 10,000 MW of hydropower for export of surplus power to India by 2020.

(c) & (d) : To make the country self reliant in respect of Power Generation, Government of India has formulated a National Electricity Policy in February, 2005 in consultation with State Governments & Central Electricity Authority for utilization of country's resources in the best optimal manner and development of Power Sector. In addition, Government has set an ambitious target for capacity addition of 78,700 MW for 11th Five Year Plan. Out of this a capacity of 22,302 MW has already been commissioned till 31.03.2010 and the capacity of 40072 MW is likely to be commissioned with a high level of certainty during the remaining period of the 11th Plan.