GOVERNMENT OF INDIA POWER LOK SABHA

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Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has constituted the `India Smart Grid Task Force`;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the aims and objectives of the Task Force?

Answer

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

(a): Yes, Madam, the Government has constituted the `India Smart Grid Task Force`.

(b) : The India Smart Grid Task Force is an inter-ministerial group under the Chairmanship of Shri Sam Pitroda, Adviser to Prime Minister on Public Information Infrastructure & Innovation. Other members of the Task Force are from concerned Ministries (Home, Defence, Communications & IT, New and Renewable Energy, Environment and Forests, Commerce & Industries, Finance etc.) and organizations (Planning Commission, Department of Science and Technology, Central Electricity Regulatory Commission, Central Electricity Authority, Central Power Research Institute, Bureau of Energy Efficiency, National Thermal Power Corporation, Power Grid Corporation of India Ltd., Bureau of Indian Standard, Power Finance Corporation, Rural Electricity Corporation.

(c): India Smart Grid Task Force will serve as Government's focal point for activities related to 'Smart Grid' and to evolve a road map for implementation of Smart Grid in the country. The main functions of the Smart Grid Task Force will be to ensure awareness, coordination and integration of the diverse activities related to Smart Grid technologies, practices and services for Smart Grid Research and Development; Co-ordinate and integrate other relevant inter governmental activities; Collaborate on interoperability frame work; Review and validate the recommendations from India Smart Grid Forum etc. and evolve a road map for Smart Grid implementation in the country.