

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
NEW AND RENEWABLE ENERGY  
LOK SABHA**

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SMALL HYDRO POWER PROJECTS  
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**Will the Minister of NEW AND RENEWABLE ENERGY be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the Government proposes to encourage the setting up of small hydro power projects in the North-Eastern States;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government proposes to allow small hydro power projects to be implemented by community institutions like the panchayat; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

**Answer**

THE MINISTER OF NEW AND RENEWABLE ENERGY(DR. FAROOQ ABDULLAH)

(a)&(b) Yes Madam. The Ministry of New and Renewable Energy (MNRE) is providing higher level of Central Financial Assistance (CFA) to encourage setting up of small hydro projects in the special category States including the North-Eastern States. The details of CFA provided by the Ministry to the North Eastern States are given at Table-I.

(c) & (d): MNRE is supporting setting up of micro hydel projects, up to 100 KW capacity, and watermills through community institutions like Panchayats, NGOs, local bodies etc. The CFA provided for these is given at Table-I