

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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EXTERNAL ASSISTANCE FOR POWER PROJECTS
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Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

- (a) Whether proposals from various States including Gujarat State for external assistance in respect of power projects/transmission networks which stand already approved by the Ministry are still lying pending with the Union Government;
- (b) If so, the details thereof alongwith the reasons for the delay in according approval;and
- (c) the time by which the approval is likely to be given?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI S.S. PALANIMANICKAM)

(a) & (b) There are six projects in the Rolling Plan/pipeline seeking Official Development Assistance (ODA) loan from the Government of Japan. The details of these projects alongwith reasons for delay in sanction of loan are annexed as Statement-I.

No proposal seeking external assistance in the power sector from the State of Gujarat is pending in Department of Economic Affairs, Ministry of Finance.

(c) Department of Economic Affairs poses a list of projects every year seeking ODA loan from the Govt.of Japan. It is the Govt.of Japan which finally selects the projects from the posed list. Thus the time by which the proposals are likely to be approved by the external funding agency cannot be specified/indicated.