

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
POWER
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3957
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SHORTAGE OF POWER
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Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Union Government has received any proposals from the State Governments in order to increase the power generation in view of the acute power crisis in the country particularly in Madhya Pradesh;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the amount of funds provided by the Government under Rajiv Gandhi Rural Electrification Scheme during the last three years and the current financial year, State wise;
- (d) whether the Government has conducted any enquiry by a committee in regard to the allocations made to Government of Madhya Pradesh and to ascertain that proper utilisation of funds has been made;
- (e) if so, whether the Government proposes to take stringent action against the erring officers responsible for delay in completion of projects; and
- (f) the corrective measures taken by the Governments in this regard?

Answer

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

- (a) & (b): With the enactment of Electricity Act, 2003, techno-economic clearance to thermal power projects by Central Electricity Authority (CEA) is not required. No proposal of hydro electric power project of Government of Madhya Pradesh is presently pending for techno-economic concurrence of CEA.
- (c): There is no upfront allocation of funds for any State/District under Rajiv Gandhi Grameen Vidyutikarn Yojana (RGGVY). Funds are released against sanctioned projects in installments based on the reported utilization of amount in the previous installment(s) and other conditionalities. The District-wise release of funds in the State of Madhya Pradesh for the sanctioned projects under RGGVY, during the last three years and current year, is presented at Annex.
- (d): Any enquiry by a Committee has not been conducted in regard to allocation of funds under RGGVY.
- (e) & (f) : Do not arise in view of reply to part (d) above.