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DELAY IN CONSTRUCTION OF POWER PROJECTS

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Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

- (a) whether there has been a delay in the construction of several power projects in the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof, State-wise and project-wise and the reasons therefor;
- (c) the expenditure incurred on such projects during the last three years and the current year; and
- (d) the steps taken by the Government for timely completion of these projects?

Answer

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

(a) : Yes, Madam.

(b) : The details of such projects, state-wise along with reasons of delay are at Annex-I for hydro projects and Annex-II for Thermal projects.

(c) : The details of expenditure incurred on such projects during the last three years (2006-07 to 2008-09) and during the current year are at Annex-III for hydro projects and Annex-II for Thermal projects.

(d) : The steps taken by the Government for timely completion of these projects, inter- alia, are as follows:

Rigorous monitoring of the projects by Central Electricity Authority and the Ministry of Power at the highest level besides monitoring through the Power Projects Monitoring Panel.

Enhancement of main plant equipment manufacturing capacity by Bharat Heavy Electricals Limited (BHEL).

Widening the vendor base by BHEL through outsourcing.

Formation of Joint Venture company by NTPC Ltd. and BHEL, M/s L&T and MHI, Japan, M/s JSW and Toshiba, M/s Bharat Forge and Alstom, and M/s BB Engineering and Ansaldo for manufacture of various power plants equipments.

All stakeholders have been sensitized towards enlarging the vendor base so as to meet the Balance of Plants (BoP) requirements.

To overcome the shortage of skilled manpower, 'Adopt an ITI' initiative has been taken up.