

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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HYDEL POWER PROJECTS
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Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is aware that the hydel power projects in the country are causing immense loss to the rivers;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;
- (c) the State-wise names of the rivers on which the hydel power projects are in operation along with the power generation capacity of these projects in the country at present;
- (d) whether the Government proposes to reconsider planning and implementation of the hydel power projects in the country;
- (e) if so, the details thereof; and
- (f) if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

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

- (a) & (b) : Hydro power is a renewable and non polluting source of energy. There is no consumptive use of water in hydel power generation. The water after generation is put back to the river.
- (c) : State-wise list of hydro power projects under operation in the country is Annexed.
- (d) to (f) : No proposal to reconsider planning and implementation of the hydel power projects in the country is under consideration as the present system aims to tap up the full hydro-potentiality in the country.