GOVERNMENT OF INDIA POWER LOK SABHA

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ELECTRICITY METERS OF PRIVATE POWER DISCOMS
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Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the electricity meters of private power distribution companies in the country including Delhi have several faults;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether any study has been conducted by the Central Power Research Institute, Bangalore in this regard;
- (d) if so, the outcome thereof;
- (e) whether the consumers have suffered huge losses during the last three years as a result thereof; and
- (f) if so, the corrective measures taken/proposed to be taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

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

- (a) & (b): No information regarding faulty meters except Delhi State is available in respect of Electricity Meters of Private Power DISCOMs. As far as Delhi is concerned approximately 2000 meters were tested. Out of them 48 meters were found beyond permissible limit.
- (c) & (d): Central Power Research Institute, Bangalore has conducted the study on the 1652 meters for checking the accuracy of the meters installed in the premises of consumers of Delhi State. Out of 1652 meters only 81 meters were found beyond the permissible limit of accuracy.
- (e) & (f): It has been reported by Delhi Government that no huge loss has been suffered by consumers due to faulty meters as the Quantity of faulty meters is very small.