

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
POWER
LOK SABHA**

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SUPPLY OF POWER TO NEPAL
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Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government of Nepal has requested the Union Government for supply of additional power;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government has considered and examined their request;
- (d) if so, the action taken by the Government thereon; and
- (e) the power supplied by India to Nepal during each of the last three years and the current year?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER (SHRI K.C. VENUGOPAL)

(a) to (d) : Ministry of Power has not received any request from Nepal for additional allocation during 2008-09 to 2011-12 (upto June, 2011). However, Ministry of External Affairs (MEA) has informed that Under Power Exchange Agreement, India supplies Mahakali Treaty (70 million units of free power from Tanakpur project) and the Kosi Agreement (50% of power from Kataiya power house).

During 2008, PTC India supplied additional 25 MW power to Nepal from May 18, 2008 for about two weeks. During 2009, it supplied additional 20 MW power to Nepal from January to May 2009.

In October 2009, the Government of Nepal requested India to supply 30 MW additional power from December 1-31, 2009, 80 MW from January 1 to April 30, 2010 and 60 MW from May 1-31, 2010. The request was made through Nepal Electricity Authority (NEA), a Government of Nepal Undertaking to PTC India Limited and was also taken up by the Government of Nepal with the Government of India during various bilateral interactions. The Government of India acceded to the request and advised PTC India to supply the required power to NEA. However, in view of the capacity constraints of the transmission infrastructure, it was found feasible to supply only 35 MW of the additional power. PTC India commenced supply of 20 MW power from Tanakpur delivery point with effect from January 1, 2010. Additional 15 MW power to Nepal could not be scheduled due to technical constraints related to energy meters at Bihar State Electricity Board (BSEB) end.

(e): Details of power supplied by India to Nepal are at Annex.