

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
POWER
LOK SABHA**

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INDO-IRANIAN COOPERATION IN POWER SECTOR
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Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

- (a) whether India and Iran recently held a meeting to discuss the issues of power;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government has signed any agreement with Iran relating to power sector; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

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

(a) & (b) : During the 16th Session of the Joint Commission between the Republic of India and the Islamic Republic of Iran held on 8-9 July, 2010 at New Delhi, it was decided to examine the feasibility of setting up of a 6000 MW gas-based power plant in Iran with the aim to export 4000 MW of its power to India.

Since a major part of the transmission line will be routed through Pakistan the Indian Government has raised security concerns about the project. The Government has also raised issue of gas pricing. The Iran Government is yet to respond.

(c) : No, Madam.

(d) : Does not arise.