

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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PER CAPITA POWER CONSUMPTION

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Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

- (a) the average per capita powerconsumption in the country includingMaharashtra, State-wise;
- (b) whether the per capita powerconsumption in a few States is less thanthe national average;
- (c) if so, the details thereof, State-wise;and
- (d) the corrective measures taken bythe Government in this regard?

Answer

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

(a): The latest available State-wise annual per capita power consumption in the country including Maharashtra for 2009-10 is given at Annex-I.

(b) & (c): A statement showing the annual per capita power consumption in respect of States/UTs which is less than the national average for the year 2009-10 is given at Annex-II.

(d): The steps taken by the Government to increase availability of power in the country which will in turn lead to enhancement in per-capita availability of power include (i) acceleration in generating capacity addition during the 11th Plan, new capacity of 54,964 MW was added, which is approximately 2.6 times the capacity addition of 21,180 MW achieved in the 10th Plan, (ii) rigorous monitoring of the on-going capacity addition programme, (iii) initiative for augmentation of domestic manufacturing capacity of power plant equipment, (iv) development of Ultra Mega Power Projects of 4000 MW each, (v) harnessing surplus captive power into the grid, (vi) Renovation, Modernization & Life Extension of old and inefficient generating units, (vii) development of an extensive network of high voltage transmission for transfer of power from surplus to deficit regions, etc.