

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
POWER
LOK SABHA**

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CONNECTING SOUTHERN GRID WITH THE NATIONAL GRID
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Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has commenced the work of connecting the southern grid with the national grid on a war footing;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government intends to complete the said work by 2014; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) OF THE MINISTRY OF POWER (SHRI JYOTIRADITYA M. SCINDIA)

(a) to (d) : The Southern Grid is already connected with the rest of the national grid with the following asynchronous links:

Southern Region & Eastern Region:

- + 500 kV, 2500 MW Talcher-Kolar HVDC bi-pole line
- 1000 MW HVDC back to back station at Gazuwaka.

Southern Region & Western Region:

- 1000 MW HVDC back to back station at Chandrapur

Further, two 765 kV S/C transmission lines from Raichur (Karnataka) to Sholapur (Maharashtra) are under construction. One line is being constructed by Power Grid Corporation of India Ltd. while the other is being constructed by M/s. Raichur Sholapur Transmission Company Limited (RSTCL). With the completion of these two 765 kV lines, the Southern Grid will get connected with the rest of the national grid on a synchronous mode. These two lines are scheduled for completion in 2014.