

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
POWER
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3445
ANSWERED ON:13.12.2012
CONSTRUCTION OF BIG DAMS IN ARUNACHAL PRADESH
Deka Shri Ramen

Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has held any discussion with the organizations which are protesting against construction of big dams in Arunachal Pradesh, particularly lower Subansiri Project;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the results achieved thereon;
- (c) if not, the reasons therefor; and
- (d) the further steps taken/being taken by the Government to address the issue?

Answer

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

(a) to (d) : The management of NHPC Limited has held talks with various groups like Krishak Mukti Sangram Samiti (KMSS), All Assam Student Union (AASU) etc. who are opposing construction of Subansiri Lower Hydroelectric Project and other big dams in September, 2012. These groups have requested that resolution of the issue should be under the aegis of a tripartite discussion with Government of Assam and Government of India/NHPC. Accordingly, Government of India has requested Chief Minister of Assam to lead the initiative for convening the tripartite discussions for early resolution in the matter.