

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HOME AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA**

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SECURITY TO HYDRO POWER STATIONS
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Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the hydro-power plants in the country including Himachal Pradesh are under threats;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government proposes to provide foolproof security to these power plants to deal with any security threat;and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI MULLAPALLY RAMACHANDRAN)

(a) to (d): The Government continues to receive from time to time inputs regarding threats to vital installations in the country, which include dams, hydropower plants etc. These inputs are promptly shared with the State Governments/Union Territory Administrations concerned, as the State Governments are primarily responsible for ensuring security of these installations. Security agencies also carry out periodic security audit and make recommendations for strengthening security. Advisories, based on these recommendations, are also issued from time to time to the State Governments. Central Armed Police Forces (CAPFs) are also deployed in many of these installations for providing fool-proof security.