

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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HYDRO POWER PROJECTS
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Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the North-Eastern Electric Power Corporation Limited proposes to construct hydro power projects in Meghalaya and the National Hydro Power Corporation (NHPC) is constructing a hydro power project in Manipur;
- (b) if so, the details thereof along with the total cost of the projects and the pattern of cost sharing in this regard;
- (c) whether any objection has been raised by any neighbouring country regarding construction of such projects;
- (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) the present status of these projects?

Answer

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

(a) & (b) :The Government of Meghalaya has allotted Mawphu Hydro Electric Project (HEP), Stage – II (85 MW) to North Eastern Electric Power Corporation Limited (NEEPCO) for Survey & Investigation, Detailed Project Report (DPR) preparation and its subsequent execution. As per Pre-Feasibility Report (PFR) prepared in December 2010, the estimated cost of the project is Rs 453.81 Crores.

No hydro power project in Manipur is presently under construction by NHPC Limited. However, NHPC has formed two Joint Ventures (JV) for implementation of the following hydro power projects in Manipur.

(i) Tipaimukh HEP (1500 MW) is to be implemented through a JV amongst NHPC (69%), SJVNL (now NEEPCO is proposed in place of SJVN)(26%) and Govt. of Manipur (5%). As per Techno- economic clearance, the cost of the project is Rs.5,163.86 Crores (at December, 2002 Price Level).

(ii) Loktak Downstream HE project (66 MW) is to be implemented through a JV between NHPC (74%) and Govt. of Manipur (26%). As per Techno-economic clearance, the cost of the project is Rs 867.77 crore (at Oct. 2006 Price Level).

(c) & (d) : The Government of Bangladesh has expressed its apprehension that the construction of these projects may adversely affect Bangladesh. India has assured Bangladesh that it would not take any steps with regard to Hydro Power projects that would adversely affect Bangladesh.

(e) : The status of these projects is at Annex.