## GOVERNMENT OF INDIA POWER LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1234 ANSWERED ON:12.12.2013 HYDRO POWER PROJECTS IN NORTH EAST Ajmal Shri Badruddin

## Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Bangladesh has opposed the construction of dams for Hydro Power Projects in Meghalaya and Manipur and whether such a move will result in power shortage in these States;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether Bangladesh wants to sort out this issue in the Joint River Commission;
- (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) the steps taken/being taken by the Government to resolve the dispute in this regard with Bangladesh at the earliest and to solve the acute power shortage problems in these States?

## **Answer**

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

(a) to (e): Bangladesh has raised its concern regarding the Tipaimukh Hydro- Electric (Multipurpose) Project (1500 MW) in Manipur and Mawphu (85MW) and Myntdu (84 MW) dam in Meghalaya. Meetings have been held by the Sub- Group constituted under India-Bangladesh Joint River Commission, for joint study as per agreed Terms of Reference (ToR) for the Tipaimukh Project. As regards the Projects in Meghalaya, the Bangladesh side has been informed that the Projects in Meghalaya are at conceptual stage and only some investigation work has been done for preparation of the DPR. To mitigate the power shortage in Manipur and Meghalaya, the assistance from Central Generating Station (CGS) as on 30.11.2013 is 123 MW and 206 MW respectively. In addition, the likely benefits from CGS during the 12th Plan would be 136.5 MW and 186.5 MW respectively.