## GOVERNMENT OF INDIA POWER LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2450 ANSWERED ON:06.02.2014 ESTABLISHMENT OF ENGINEERING COLLEGE Thakur Shri Anurag Singh

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

- (a) whether the Union Government has approved a proposal to establish an engineering college in Bilaspur area of Himachal Pradesh with the cooperation of National Thermal Power Corporation Limited (NTPC) and National Hydro Power Corporation Limited (NHPC);
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the present status regarding establishment of the said college and the time by which it is likely to be started?

## **Answer**

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

(a) to (c) :In a meeting held with the Chief Minister of Himachal Pradesh by the then Hon`ble Minister of State for Power on 7th January, 2009, it was decided that NTPC, NHPC and SJVN Limited would collaborate to establish an Engineering College in Himachal Pradesh together, for which land would be provided by the State Government.

NTPC has signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with Government of Himachal Pradesh on 3rd March, 2012 for financial support limited to Rs.37.50 Crores.

NHPC also has submitted a draft MOU to the Government of Himachal Pradesh on 02.08.2013. State Government is yet to respond.