

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
NEW AND RENEWABLE ENERGY
LOK SABHA**

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POLICY FOR SMALL HYDRO POWER PROJECTS
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Will the Minister of NEW AND RENEWABLE ENERGY be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has prepared any Draft National Policy for small hydro power generations projects;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government has consulted the stakeholders in connection with the formulation of the said policy;
- (d) if so, the details thereof and whether all suggestions received therefrom have been incorporated in the draft policy; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR POWER, COAL & NEW AND RENEWABLE ENERGY (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) (SHRI PIYUSH GOYAL)

(a)&(b): No Madam. There is an existing Hydro Power Policy announced in 2008 for the accelerated development of hydro power including small hydro power in the Country. However, a draft National Mission on Small Hydro was placed on 4th February 2015 on the web site of the Ministry of New and Renewable Energy for Comments.

(c),(d)&(e): The draft National Mission on Small Hydro is based on stake holders' consultation. Suggestions received have been suitably incorporated in the draft Mission document.