

(b) and (c) Do not arise.

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Nltc Project to Link Regional Power Grids

Employment Generating Potential From Tourism

8867 SHRI GEORGE FERNANDES : Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) whether tourism has tremendous employment potential; and

(b) if so, the steps taken by the Government to fully exploit the potentials?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM (SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The effort of the Government to exploit the full potential is to increase the flow of tourists by improving the infrastructural facilities, diversifying the tourism products and giving publicity to tourist attractions.

Investigations into crash of A-320 Airbus in Bangalore

8868. SHRI BHUWAN CHANDRA KHANDURI: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM be pleased to state:

the details of the progress of the investigation made so far in the crash incident of A-320 Airbus in Bangalore in 1990?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM (SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA): The report of the Court of Inquiry alongwith Government's decision thereon has been tabled in the House on 10.1.1991.

8869. SHRI JAGMEET SINGH BRAR: Will the Minister of POWER AND NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) whether the National Power Transmission Corporation has decided to Start an Important Project during the Eighth Five Year Plan to link all the regional power grids;

(b) if so, estimated expenditure to be incurred on the implementation of this proposed project;

(c) whether the loss causing the power transmission in the Country is also estimated to be reduced as a result of implementation of this project, and

(d) if so, the extent to which it is likely to be reduced and the total profit which the power sector is likely to earn as a result thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF POWER AND NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES (a) to (d). NPTC would establish following HVDC back to back inter-regional links during 8th five Year Plan:

- (i) Chandrapur-Ramagundam;
- (ii) Jeypore-Gazuwaka;
- (iii) Mau- Biharsharif

Implementation of these links would involve an expenditure of Rs. 1750 crores.

The primary objective of establishing these inter-regional links is to evolve a National Power Grid. With the optimisation of system operation, reduction in loss to

some extent in power transmission would be an indirect benefit. It is, however not possible to quantify the same in monetary terms.

Pending Power Projects of Maharashtra

8870. SHRI VILAS MUTTEMWAR:
SHRI MANIKRAO HODLYA
GAVIT:
SHRI ANNA JOSHI:
SHRI VILASRAO NAG-
NATHRAO GUNDEWAR:

Will the Minister of POWER AND NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) the present generation and consumption of Power in Maharashtra and the measures taken to meet the shortage;

(b) the names of Power projects, their generation capacity and the estimated cost pending for approval and since when; and

(c) the steps taken or proposed to be taken for there approval of each of these projects?

1. Thermal

<i>S.No.</i>	<i>Name of the scheme and capacity</i>	<i>Estimated cost (Rs. crores)</i>	<i>Date of receipt of P.R.M.CEA</i>
1.	Parli'C' TPS Unit 6&7-2x210 MW	460.80	14.3.86
2.	Dabhol GTCC TPS-760MW	569.18	13.3.89
3.	Nagothane GTCC TPS-820 Mw	950	6.9.90
4.	Khaperkheda TPS Exth-2x250 MW	1030.75	27.11.91

THE MINISTRY OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF POWER AND NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES (SHRI KALPNATHRAI) (a) During the period April, 91-March, 92, the Energy requirement in Maharashtra was 42070 million units against which availability was 40166 million units. Various measures taken to improve the availability of power in Maharashtra include maximising the generation from the existing generating stations, implementation of Renovation and Modernisation Programme of generating stations, reduction in Transmission and Distribution losses, effective load management and conservation of energy etc. Assistance is also made available to Maharashtra from the neighbouring systems whenever system conditions are conducive to such transfer.

(b) and (c). The following thermal and hydro schemes in respect of Maharashtra are under various stages of examination in CEA in consultation with other concerned agencies:-