

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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PUMP STORAGE PROJECT AT KAIMUR
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Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

- (a) whether there is a proposal to set up pump storage project in Kaimur in Bihar to produce 2580 Megawatt of hydro electricity;
- (b) if so, whether the State Government has requested for the implementation of above project by NHPC under the Central Sector;
- (c) if so, whether the Government intend to implement this project immediately keeping in view the shortage of power generation in Bihar; and
- (d) if so, the time by which it is likely to be done?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER (SHRIMATI JAYAWANTI MEHTA)

(a) to (c) : Bihar State Hydroelectric Power Corporation (BHPC) has approached National Hydroelectric Power Corporation (NHPC) for implementation of four hydroelectric projects in Kaimur District of Bihar, viz. Tilhar Kund (4x100 MW), Sinafdar (3x115 MW), Panchgotia (3x75 MW) and Hathiadah-Durgawati (8x200 MW) as Pump Storage Schemes to produce 2570 MW of power. BHPC has proposed to transfer these plants to NHPC but retaining their ownership. NHPC has informed BHPC that since, the funds for implementation of these projects are to be arranged by NHPC, these projects should be transferred on ownership basis or alternatively NHPC can execute these projects as deposit works with funds to be placed at their disposal in advance.

(d) : Implementation of the above projects can be taken up only after carrying out detailed Survey & Investigation, preparation of Detailed Project Report and establishing the techno-commercial viability of the projects.