

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
POWER  
LOK SABHA**

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PROFIT IN POWER SECTOR  
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**Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the Power Sector is running profit in our country specially in generation;
- (b) if so, the details of the profit earned during 2nd quarter in the financial year 2003- 04 PSUs-wise; and
- (c) the details of the per-capita consumption of electricity in West Bengal?

**Answer**

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

(a) : The Central Public Sector Undertakings namely National Thermal Power Corporation (NTPC), National Hydroelectric Power Corporation (NHPC) and Damodar Valley Corporation (DVC) involved in generation of electricity have shown profits during the last few financial years. But Utilities/State Electricity Boards have accumulated large outstanding amount to these power generating companies. North- eastern Electric Power Corporation, involved in generation of electricity in North Eastern Region, however, has reported a loss of Rs.408.75 crores for the year 2002-03. Profitability or otherwise of State Sector and Private Sector generating companies, which account for nearly 62% of overall power generation is not available.

(b) : Profit earned by the power generating Central Public Sector Undertakings during the second quarter of the financial year 2003-04 is as under :

Sl. NO. Name of Central PSU Profit earned during 2nd Quarter of 2003-04 as reported by CPSUs (Rs. crores)

1. NTPC	1283.19
2. NHPC	126.2
3. DVC	99.33
4. NEEPCO	33.28

(c) : The per capita consumption of electricity in West Bengal during the year 2000-01 was 207 kwh.