

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
POWER
LOK SABHA**

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INDIAN INVESTMENT IN NIGERIA
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Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Nigeria has sought investment in its power sector;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the decision of Indian Government in this regard?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF POWER (SHRI P.M. SAYEED)

(a) to (c) : Yes, Sir. A High-level Ministerial delegation from Nigeria visited India between October 10-13, 2005. It included the Nigerian Ministers for Petroleum, Commerce and Power & Steel, besides the Chairman of the Nigerian Railways and the Special Adviser to the President. During the visit, the Nigerian delegation suggested that in return for award of petroleum blocks on nomination basis and other oil and gas contracts, Indian companies should participate in Nigeria in economic and infrastructure development projects pertaining to pipelines, railways and power.

Discussions between Indian and Nigerian companies are presently under way in this regard.