

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
POWER
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1865
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PENDING HYDRO POWER PROJECTS OF KERALA
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Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

- (a) whether a number of Hydro Power Project proposals submitted by the Government of Kerala are pending clearance with the Union Government;
- (b) if so, the details thereof along with the reason therefor;
- (c) whether any such projects of Kerala have been cleared during the last three years; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF POWER (SHRI SUSHILKUMAR SHINDE)

- (a) : No, Sir. No proposal of hydro-electric project of Kerala is pending for clearance with the Central Electricity Authority (CEA), Ministry of Power for techno- economic clearance (TEC).
- (b) : Question does not arise.
- (c) & (d) : Yes, Sir. One hydro power project viz. Athirapally Hydroelectric Project (163 MW) has been accorded TEC by the CEA during the last three years. This project was accorded TEC on 31st March, 2005 at an estimated cost of Rs. 385.63 crores at 2004-05 Price Level. It would provide an annual energy generation of 234.33 MU.