

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
POWER
LOK SABHA**

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HYDRO POWER PROJECT ON BARAK RIVER
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Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has assessed the hydro power potential on Barak river and its tributaries in Assam;
- (b) if so, whether any site has been identified to set up a hydro power plant in the Barak Valley; and
- (c) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER (SHRI SUSHILKUMAR SHINDE)

(a) : As per re-assessment studies of hydro electric potential carried out by Central Electricity Authority (CEA), the hydro power potential of Barak river and neighbouring rivers was assessed as 3908 MW at 60% load factor. 60 hydro electric schemes with total aggregate installed capacity of 6679 MW were identified. None of these identified schemes is located in Assam.

(b) & (c) : Under 50,000 MW Hydro Electric Initiative, the Pre Feasibility Reports (PFRs) of 20 schemes viz. 3 in Manipur, 11 in Meghalaya, 3 in Mizoram and 3 in Nagaland on Barak river and neighbouring rivers have been prepared. The details of these schemes are given in the Annexure. Out of these, 6 schemes in the State of Meghalaya have been identified as low tariff hydro electric schemes for carrying out detailed survey and investigation.