

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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TRANSMISSION SYSTEM IN US BY PGCIL
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Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Power Grid Corporation of India Ltd. has been exploring strategic alliance with American Electric Power for executing transmission projects in USA as reported in the Times of India dated January 30, 2007 ;
- (b) if so, whether areas of co-operation and other modalities have been finalized ;
- (c) if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) the time by which MoU is likely to be signed ?

Answer

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

(a)to(d) : Power Grid Corporation of India Ltd. (PGCIL) have informed that representatives of American Electric Power (AEP), USA, visited PGCIL during last week of January, 2007 and briefed them about emerging opportunities in the transmission sector of USA. AEP invited PGCIL to jointly explore the implementation of new transmission lines in USA.PGCIL have sought details on projects and modalities of cooperation from AEP.