

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
POWER  
LOK SABHA**

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CAUVERY HYDRO POWER PROJECT  
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**Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the Government is aware that there is a long pending demand for the revival of the Cauvery Hydro Power Project (CHPP);
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the present status of the project; and
- (c) the time by which the revival work of the project is likely to be taken up and the expected time of its completion?

**Answer**

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

(a) to (c) : On the request of Government of Tamil Nadu and Karnataka during January 2001, National Hydroelectric Power Corporation Ltd. (NHPC) had been entrusted with the work of preparation of the Detailed Project Reports (DPRs) of 4 Hydroelectric Projects (HEP) in the Cauvery Basin, viz. the Hogenekkal HEP (120 MW) and Rasimanal HEP (360 MW) in Tamil Nadu and Shivasamudram HEP (270 MW) and Mekadatu HEP (400 MW) in Karnataka.

Preparation of DPRs for these projects could not be taken up by NHPC due to the differences between the Government of Tamil Nadu and Karnataka on the `draft tripartite agreement` to be signed between the two State Governments and NHPC. Government of Karnataka have, however, now informed that since the two projects of Shivasamudram and Mekadatu are exclusively within the territory of Karnataka, the State proposes to forthwith execute the project through Karnataka Power Corporation Ltd. (KPCL). Government of Karnataka have further informed that KPCL has already initiated preliminary works like survey, Geo-Technical Investigation, Soil Investigation and preparation of DPR as per the pattern of downstream releases ordered by the Cauvery Water Disputes Tribunal.