

Amount in Rs. Crores							
Sector	2003-04	2004-05	2005-06	2006-07	2007-08	2008-09	2009-10
Power	131	241	386	713	3875	4382	6908
	(28)	(53)	(87)	(157)	(967)	(985)	(1437)

Note: The figures in brackets shows the amount in US\$ Million.

#### Effect of gas price hike on power generation cost

†1602. SHRI RAM JETHMALANI:

SHRI RAVI SHANKAR PRASAD:

Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that cost of power generation is likely to increase as the prices of gas is determined by Administered Price Mechanism (APM) method based on open market;
- (b) if so, the facts thereof; and
- (c) the extent of increase in per unit electricity cost in country as a result of the above variation?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER (SHRI BHARATSINH SOLANKI):

(a) to (c) The cost of power generation would marginally increase at national level with the increase in price of APM gas. However, cost of power generation from power stations where the percentage share of APM gas consumption is high, the increase in tariff will be higher.

A number of gas based power projects in the country have been running on APM gas. APM gas prices have been increased from 1.79 \$/MMBTU to 4.2 \$/MMBTU. An analysis has been done by CEA to know the effect of the increase in gas prices on the cost of generation and on All India tariff on pro rata basis based on Installed Capacity & Generation as on March, 2010. It appears that due to increase in APM gas price there would be marginal increase in All-India tariff by about 2.54%.

#### Delayed hydro power projects in Arunachal Pradesh

1603. SHRI PRAKASH JAVADEKAR: Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that the hydro power projects sanctioned to public and private companies in Arunachal Pradesh are lagging behind the schedule;

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.