

(c) The details of power supply position in the country including shortage during the years 2009-10, 2010-11, 2011-12 and 2012-13 (Up to January, 2013) are given below:

Year	Peak (MW)				Energy (MU)			
	Peak Demand	Peak Met	Shortage MW	Shortage %	Requirement	Availability	Shortage MU	Shortage %
2009-10	119116	104009	15157	12.7	830594	746644	83950	10.1
2010-11	122287	110256	12031	9.8	861591	788355	73236	8.5
2011-12	130006	116191	13815	10.6	937199	857886	79313	8.5
2012-13 (Up to January, 2013)*	135453	123294	12159	9.0	833230	759849	73381	8.8

\* Provisional

The steps being taken by the Government to bridge the gap between demand and supply of power in the country include *inter-alia* the following:

- (i) Capacity addition of 88,537 MW during 12th Plan period (2012-2017).
- (ii) Rigorous monitoring of capacity addition of the on-going generation projects.
- (iii) Augmentation of domestic manufacturing capacity of power equipment through Joint Ventures.
- (iv) Development of Ultra Mega Power Projects of 4,000 MW each and coordinated operation and maintenance of hydro, thermal, nuclear and gas based power stations to optimally utilize the existing generation capacity.
- (v) Thrust to import of coal by the power utilities to meet the shortfall in coal supplies to thermal power stations from indigenous sources.
- (vi) Renovation, modernization and life extension of old and inefficient generation units.
- (vii) Strengthening of inter-state and inter-regional transmission capacity for optimum utilization of available power.

**Recommendations of the working groups on Dulhasti HEP**

1695. SHRI G. N. RATANPURI: Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Hon'ble Prime Minister has made a public announcement of intended transfer of Dulhasti Hydroelectric Project (HEP) to J&K in pursuance of the recommendations of working groups constituted by the Prime Minister;

(b) the extent of recommendations of the working groups that have been implemented by Government; and

(c) the other recommendations of the working groups under consideration of Government?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF POWER (SHRI JYOTIRADITYA MADHAVRAO SCINDIA): (a) A Task Force on development of Jammu and Kashmir constituted by the Hon'ble Prime Minister on 29.05.2005 under the Chairmanship of Dr. C. Rangarajan has recommended *inter-alia* transfer of certain Power Projects of NHPC including Dulhasti Hydro-electric Project (HEP) to State Government.

(b) and (c) As regards the status of implementation of these recommendations, the status is given in Statement.

*Statement*

**i) Transfer of Dul Hasti Project.**

The Central Government has decided that the transfer of Dulhasti HEP may not be possible due to likely financial, legal implications *etc.*

**ii) Transfer of Bursar**

The Bursar HEP is presently under Survey and Investigation by NHPC.

**iii) Long Term Measures**

The present status of implementation of other Projects recommended by the Task Force as under:

Name of the Project	I.C. (MW)	Status
1	2	3
Kiru	660	Detailed Project Report (DPR) has been submitted to CEA.
Kwar	560	CEA has returned the DPR.

1	2	3
Ratle	850	DPR was concurred by CEA on 19.12.2012
Shamnot	370	PFR prepared.
Sawalkot	1350 + 56	DPR returned by CEA.

**iv) Policy Framework for development of hydro power potential in J&K.**

As per recommendations, Draft Revised State Hydel Policy of Jammu & Kashmir has been formulated by JKSPDC in June, 2010.

**Electric connections to SCs and STs families**

†1696. SHRI RAM VILAS PASWAN: Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state the number of families in the country belonging to Scheduled Castes (SCs) and Scheduled Tribes (STs) and out of these the number of families which have the facility of electricity connection, State-wise?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF POWER (SHRI JYOTIRADITYA MADHAVRAO SCINDIA): As per Census 2011, there are 442.27 lakh Scheduled Caste and 233.29 lakh Scheduled Tribes households in the country and out of these 261.05 lakh Scheduled Caste and 120.60 lakh Scheduled Tribes used electricity as main source of lighting for major part of the last 12 months. The State wise detail is given in Statement-I (*See below*).

The Government of India launched 'Rajiv Gandhi Grameen Vidyutikaran Yojana (RGGVY)- Programme for creation of Rural Electricity Infrastructure & Household Electrification, in April 2005 for providing access to electricity to rural households. Under the scheme, out of 7,80,90,874 number of rural households, 2,29,39,511 BPL households including Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes households have been covered for release of free electricity connections. Cumulatively, as on 31.01.2013, free electricity connections to 2,05,15,472 BPL households including Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes households have been provided. The State wise details are given in Statement-II.

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.