

Hydro Power Policy 2006

Sl. No.	Description	Summary
1.	Nodal Agency	HIMURJA
2.	Objectives	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. To speed up the Power Development in the State and achieve capacity addition. 2. To generate and provide employment opportunities to the people of the Himachal Pradesh. 3. To make Power sector a major source of revenue to the State. 4. To secure long term financial interests of the State. 5. To achieve financial turnaround and commercial viability of Power Sector. 6. To develop local area by creation of Local Area Development Committee financed through Power Projects. 7. To establish and promote Power trading entity in the State. 8. To provide indiscriminate access of the electricity to all the households in the State in the immediate near future and to protect the interest of consumers. 9. To make available reliable, regular and quality Power on demand at affordable rates in the immediate near future. 10. To promote & provide continued support for development of renewable energy sources like SHPs, Solar, Biomass, Water Mills etc;
3.	The features of the Power Policy are enumerated as under	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Reliable, eco-friendly, mature and proven technology. 2. More suited for the sensitive mountain ecology. 3. Can be exploited wherever sufficient water flows along small streams, medium to small rivers. 4. Does not involve setting up of large dams or problems of deforestation, submergence or rehabilitation. 5. Non-polluting, entails no waste or production of toxic gases, environment friendly. 6. Small capital investment and short gestation period. 7. Minimal transmission losses. 8. With careful planning and adoption of simplified and standardized designs, SHP installations are becoming increasingly competitive with thermal, diesel or gas based power generation.
4.	Himachal Beckons You	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Small Hydro Power potential of more than 2000 MW in Himachal Pradesh. 2. An attractive package of incentives. 3. Overwhelming response in the previous phases. 4. Ever increasing demand of power in the North India. 5. Easy access by road/train/air. 6. Well developed road network within the State and easy accessibility to the sites. 7. Peaceful industrial climate -Excellent rapport between workforce and industry. Cooperative labour pool/workforce. 8. A salubrious climate. 9. Well knit communication network with FAX/ STD/ISD facilities available in all the corners of the State. 10. An extensive network of high/medium/low tension lines enabling easy connectivity to grid.
5.	General	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The Government of Himachal Pradesh has been laying the desired thrust for encouraging generation of power through renewable energy sources as well as the SHPs including and up to a capacity of 5 MW through an agency called "HIMURJA".

		2. Total Hydro potential aggregating 25000 MW exists in Himachal Pradesh.
6.	Subsidy	The subsidies being provided by the Department of Civil Supplies and Forests etc. shall be gradually phased out and corresponding amount shall be provided as subsidy to the consumers for the procurement of such gadgets of Non-conventional Energy Sources at affordable prices by the State Government upto 50% of the cost.
7.	CDM Benefits	The developer should carry out development of the Project(s) so that these qualify for carbon credits at the National / International levels. Sale of such equivalent carbon credits by the developer on account of development of Project(s) should be through competitive process amongst buyers, in order to derive the maximum benefits.