

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES  
LOK SABHA**

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GENERATION OF POWER  
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**Will the Minister of NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES be pleased to state:**

(a) whether extensive efforts are being made for co-generation of power from bagasse in most of the sugar factories in the country; and

(b) if so, the details thereof, State-wise?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF STATE FOR NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES (INDEPENDENT CHARGE), (SHRI M. KANNAPPAN)

(a)&(b): Yes Sir. The Ministry of Non-Conventional Energy Sources is implementing a National Programme for promotion of optimum surplus power generation from bagasse in sugar mills. The Programme provides for Central Financial Assistance by way of capital subsidy or interest subsidy for various types of projects in cooperative, public and private sector sugar mills. Fiscal and promotional incentives, including relief from taxes and duties, accelerated depreciation, soft loans etc. are also available for these projects.

A total surplus power capacity of 213 MW has been installed through 36 bagasse based co-generation projects in six States. These comprise seven projects (62.50 MW) in Karnataka; six projects ( 9.0 MW) in Maharashtra; one project (2.0 MW) in Punjab; four projects (11.50 MW) in Andhra Pradesh; ten projects (81.50 MW) in Tamil Nadu; and, eight projects (46.50 MW) in Uttar Pradesh. A further surplus power capacity of 263 MW is under implementation through 29 bagasse based co-generation projects in seven States.