

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

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3714
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WIND MILLS
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Will the Minister of NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of wind mills all over the country alongwith their wind production;
- (b) whether there is any proposal to have this wind mills projects in backward hilly areas of our country in order to provide employment opportunities for the tribal population; and
- (c) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

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

(a): An aggregate wind power capacity of 1628 MW has been installed in the country, as on 31.03.2002. These projects have generated over 9 billion units of electricity so far. In addition, about 800 water pumping wind mills, small aerogenerators and hybrid systems of aggregate capacity 125 KW have also been installed.

(b)&(c): Wind power projects are set up in windy locations, which are mostly found in remote, hilly, tribal and backward areas. Employment opportunities have been created by these projects in several States.