

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

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NGO IN AWARENESS CAPMS
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Will the Minister of NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government have not responded positively to requests from NGOs and other people to actively participate in awareness camps and campaigns throughout the country;
- (b) if so, the reasons therefor; and
- (c) the steps taken by the Government to ensure that peoples participation is given priority in making use of renewable energy a success in the country?

Answer

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

(a)&(b): No, Sir. Under various programmes of the Ministry of Non-Conventional Energy Sources (MNES) the awareness campaigns on use of biogas, improved chulhas, solar devices, etc are organised in local/regional languages in rural and urban areas of the country through Governmental and Non-Governmental organizations. MNES has provided financial support to the concerned State Nodal Agencies (SNAs) for their participation, by putting renewable energy pavilions, in the important events/trade fairs/exhibitions to be organized by the NGOs so that all displays and informations could be provided to the visitors in local/regional languages.

(c): The Ministry has plans to encourage peoples participation through organization of exhibitions, competitions, seminars, etc for publicity and awareness campaigns on the use of renewable energy in the rural/urban and backward areas of the country during the 10th Five Year plan.