

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
URBAN EMPLOYMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVIATION
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:4017
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UTILISATION OF FLY ASH AND RICE HUSK
Mohite Shri Subodh

Will the Minister of URBAN EMPLOYMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVIATION be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government proposes to set up a national training institute for promoting the utilisation of fly ash and rice husk;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government is considering modification in the Gazette notification to encourage the utilisation of fly ash waste;
- (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) the other measures taken to convert fly ash into useful products?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN EMPLOYMENT & POVERTY ALLEVIATION (KUMARI SELJA)

(a): No, Sir.

(b): Does not arise.

(c)&(d): As per information furnished by the Ministry of Environment and Forests, the notification on fly ash has already been amended vide S.O. 979 (E) dated 27.8.2003. This incorporates provisions such as use of pond ash for filling up the borrow areas, time bound plan for use of fly ash bricks/products by the construction agencies which would inter alia encourage utilization of fly ash.

(e): The notification has already stipulated that the Thermal Power Station would make available fly ash free of cost for 10 years from the date of publication of the notification. The Central and State Governments and their agencies have already included fly ash and fly ash products in their specifications, schedule of rates and tender documents. The Bureau of Indian

Standards has brought out standards for over 50 products which contain fly ash. The Indian Road Congress has brought out standards for road construction using fly ash. The fly Ash Utilisation Programme of the Technology Information Forecasting and Assessment Council (TIFAC), Department of Science and Technology in co-ordination with the various agencies which include Thermal Power Plants, fly ash users, research Institutions and others have held six National Seminars covering different sectors to create awareness on utilization of fly ash. This was followed by International Congress held in December, 2005 which inter alia discussed the utilization of fly ash in different sectors. These activities would facilitate use of fly ash in different products.