GOVERNMENT OF INDIA NEW AND RENEWABLE ENERGY LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1657 ANSWERED ON:01.12.2006 DEVELOPMENT OF ENERGY INDEPENDENCE Sugavanam Shri E.G.

Will the Minister of NEW AND RENEWABLE ENERGY be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has formulated any plan for the development of Energy Independence;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF NEW AND RENEWABLE ENERGY (SHRI VILAS MUTTEMWAR)

(a), (b) & (c): An Expert Committee constituted by the Planning Commission has prepared an Integrated Energy Policy that aims at achieving integrated development and deployment of different energy supply sources, including new & renewable energy. Grid-interactive renewable power installed capacity has reached 9013 MW as on 31.10.2006 and is likely to touch 10,000 MW, corresponding to a share of over 2 per cent in the electricity-mix, by 31.3.2007. Further capacity addition of 13,500 MW is envisaged during the 11th Plan (2007-12) leading to a then share of around 5 per cent in the electricity-mix.