

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
NEW AND RENEWABLE ENERGY
LOK SABHA**

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

- (a) whether electricity is being generated from Jatropha;
- (b) if so, whether the Government is providing financial assistance to State Governments for generating electricity from Jatropha in the country;
- (c) the details of financial assistance given for this purpose during the last three years, State-wise and year-wise;and
- (d) the States in which programmes of setting up plants to generate electricity from Jatropha have been implemented in the country with this financial help?

Answer

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

(a) & (b): Electricity can be generated from oil produced from seeds of Jatropha as well as other edible and non-edible oils. A Pilot Demonstration project has been taken up by the Ministry of New & Renewable Energy to study the feasibility of producing electricity from Jatropha and other non-edible oils such as mahuwa, pongamia and kusum in the four States of U.P, Karnataka, Jharkhand and Madhya Pradesh.

(c) & (d): Under the Pilot Demonstration Project, total financial assistance of Rs.15.74 lakh, Rs.13.91 lakh and Rs.16.60 lakh have been provided respectively to Uttar Pradesh, Madhya Pradesh and Karnataka during 2003-04 and 2005-06, and financial assistance of Rs.7.79 lakh has been provided for Jharkhand in 2003-04.