

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

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

- (a) whether the Government has finalized a policy to set up solid waste based power plants in the country;
- (b) if so, the quantum of power likely to be generated therefrom;
- (c) whether the Government proposes to provide technology and financial assistance to the States for the purpose; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

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

(a)&(b): The Ministry of New and Renewable Energy has developed a scheme for setting up of five pilot projects on Energy Recovery from MSW in accordance with the directions of Hon'ble Supreme Court. The capacity of individual projects is likely to be upto 16 Mega Watt.

(c)&(d): The projects based on a mix of technologies including preparation of Refuse Derived Fuel, Combustion, Biomethanation, Composting and Landfilling are developed by respective Urban Local Bodies and other Government organizations. The scheme provides for financial assistance of Rs.2.00 crore per Mega Watt subject to a limit of Rs.10.00 crore per project, besides project development assistance of upto Rs.10.00 lakh per project. The scheme also provides for financial assistance for Research & Development and creation of awareness through organization of workshops and seminars.