GOVERNMENT OF INDIA ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3093 ANSWERED ON:20.12.2004 INDOOR AIR POLLUTION Moorthy Shri A.K.

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether USA has given grant of 230000 dollars for community based programmes to reduce indoor air pollution from household energy use in India;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the manner in which the proposed grant is to be used and the details of locations where it will be used?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI NAMO NARAIN MEENA)

(a),(b)&(c) According to the United States Asia Environmental Partnership (USAEP), two projects costing about US\$ 2,32,351 have been approved recently in respect of indoor air pollution in India. These propjets will be implemented in rural/semi-urban areas of Madhya Pradesh, Uttar Pradesh and Maharashtra by Development Alternatives and Appropriate Rural Technology Institute. The project proposals envisaged include study of improved wood burning stoves, involve multi-disciplinary stake holders in implementing a social marketing campaign to raise awareness, field testing of compact bio-gas system including designing and standardization.