

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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POWER FROM WASTE

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

- (a) the quantum of power generated through solid waste/garbage during the last three years and the current year;
- (b) whether the cost of generating one Megawatt of power from it is higher at present in the country in comparison to other developed countries;
- (c) if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) the steps taken/ proposed to be taken by the Government for reducing the cost of power generation through it?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF NEW AND RENEWABLE ENERGY (DR. FAROOQ ABDULLAH)

(a): A total of 435 lakh kilo-watt hour power has been generated from Municipal Solid Waste/Garbage from two projects installed in State of Andhra Pradesh, during the last three years. There is no generation of power from these projects during the current year.

(b),(c)&(d): Cost of projects for power generation from Municipal Solid Waste/Garbage being developed in India is lower than that in the developed countries for such projects. The cost of projects is expected to further reduce after a few more projects are set up.