

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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LOK SABHA**

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

- (a) the salient features of the Integrated Rural Energy Programme;
- (b) the manner in which the Scheme is being implemented in the country, particularly in the backward and rural areas;
- (c) whether the Government has assessed the progress made in implementation of the said Scheme in the States;
- (d) if so, the details thereof;
- (e) whether the desired results have been achieved;
- (f) If so, the details thereof; and
- (g) If not the reasons therefor?

Answer

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

- (a) The salient features of the Integrated Rural Energy Programme were implementation of programme in cluster of villages mode, preparation of energy plans at micro- & macro-levels, demonstration of renewable energy & energy conservation devices / systems and organizing awareness & training programmes.
- (b) The Integrated Rural Energy Programme was implemented upto 2006-07 through the State Governments as a Centrally Sponsored Scheme on 50:50 cost sharing basis between Central and State Governments in the country, including backward and rural areas.
- (c),(d),(e),(f)&(g): While drawing up proposals for the 11th Plan, the Integrated Rural Energy Programme was reviewed and a decision was taken to discontinue the programme,as it had already demonstrated its objectives and most of the components of this programme have been covered in the other programmes/schemes of the Ministry.