

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

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WIND ENERGY GENERATION  
Gaddigoudar Shri P.C.

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

- (a) whether the power generation from wind based projects is drastically declining in the country; and
- (b) if so, the reasons therefor and the steps taken by the Government to overcome the situation within the stipulated time frame?

**Answer**

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

(a): No, Sir. There is no drastic decline in the wind power capacity addition in the country. India is maintaining a steady growth of about 1500 MW annual wind power capacity addition in the last four years.

(b): The reasons for marginal reduction in capacity addition in the last year include regulatory and local issues in certain wind potential states, and global economic meltdown which have generally affected investment in all sector. The Government is continuing to promote wind energy generation in the country through fiscal incentives such as accelerated depreciation, concessional import duty on certain components of wind electric generators, excise duty exemption, ten years' tax holiday on income generated from wind power projects, and loan from Indian Renewable Energy Development Agency (IREDA) and other financial institutions. Technical support, including detailed wind resource assessment to identify further potential sites, is provided by Ministry's Centre for Wind Energy Technology (C-WET), Chennai. This apart, preferential tariff is being provided to increase wind energy generation in the potential States.