

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

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

- (a) whether his Ministry has decided to close down its regional offices in various States;
- (b) if so, the reasons therefor;
- (c) whether any assessments has been made about the likely impact thereof on performance of power generation through non-conventional energy sources; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

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

(a): Yes, Sir.

(b): Regional Offices were established when the State Nodal Agencies were in their nascent stage of functioning. However, now, with the State Nodal Agencies (SNAs) becoming fully functional in the States and Union Territories, the need of regional offices has diminished substantially.

(c): No, Sir.

(d): Does not arise.