

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

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

- (a) the reasons for discontinuation of the Modified Integrated Rural Energy Programme during the Eleventh Five Year Plan;
- (b) whether the effectiveness of the programme was evaluated before deciding its discontinuance; and
- (c) if so, the details thereof and the agencies involved in evaluation studies?

**Answer**

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

(a),(b)& (c): While drawing up proposals for the 11th Plan, the Modified Integrated Rural Energy Programme was reviewed within the Ministry and a decision was taken to the effect that since IREP had already demonstrated its objectives, no fruitful purpose would be served with its continuation during the 11th Plan, as most of the components of this programme have been covered in the other programmes/schemes of the Ministry.