

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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BIO FUEL PLANTS

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

- (a) whether the Government has any proposal to set up Compressed Bio-Fuel plants in the country so that vegetable waste and sludge can be utilized to produce bio-fuel;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the number and names of the cities identified for setting up such plants, State/UT-wise; and
- (d) the time by which such plants are likely to be operational?

Answer

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

- (a): Two demonstration projects for production of Bio-Compressed Natural Gas from cattle dung and fruit wastes have so far been set up, one each in Nashik, Maharashtra and Abohar, Punjab. Further, 21 more such projects based on different organic wastes such as cattle dung, poultry droppings, kitchen waste, agro residues, and fruit & vegetable market wastes, sanctioned by the Ministry of New and Renewable Energy are at different stages of installation.
- (b): Details of 23 demonstration projects sanctioned by the Ministry are given in the Annexure.
- (c): State-wise locations of demonstration projects sanctioned so far are given in the Annexure.
- (d): The above mentioned projects are scheduled to be operational by September, 2012.