

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

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

- (a) the details of the number of bio-gas plants functional and non-functional in the country especially in the rural and backward areas, State-wise;
- (b) the number of bio-gas plants set up during the last three years in the country, State-wise;
- (c) whether the bio-gas chulhas are available in the market;
- (d) if not, the reasons therefor; and
- (e) the number of bio-gas plants proposed to be set up during the current financial year, State-wise?

Answer

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

- (a): Under the National Biogas and Manure Management Programme of the Ministry of New and Renewable Energy, family type biogas plants are installed in rural and backward areas of the country. According to an independent evaluation study carried out during 2008-09 in six representative States for the biogas plants installed in the 10th Five year Plan, the average functionality have been reported as 95.80% of the plants surveyed. Details of the same are given in Annexure-I.
- (b): State-wise number of biogas plants set up in the country during the last three years is given in Annexure – II.
- (c)&(d): Biogas Chulhas are available in the market and nodal implementing agencies of the programme are able to organize provision of these chulhas to the beneficiaries of biogas plants.
- (e): During the current financial year it is proposed to set up 1.50 lakh family type biogas plants in the country. State-wise details are given in Annexure – II.

Annexure - II