

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

STARRED QUESTION NO:609

ANSWERED ON:18.05.2012

OFFSHORE WIND POWER

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

(a) whether any road map has been worked out for the development of offshore wind power;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government has constituted Offshore Wind Energy Steering Committee (OWESC) for offshore wind power development in a focused manner especially in Tamil Nadu, Maharashtra, Orissa and Gujarat;

(d) if so, the details thereof, State/UT-wise;

(e) whether any technical committee has been constituted to analyse the available data with various agencies for preliminary assessment potential including identification of pockets for offshore wind power development;and

(f) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

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

(a),(b),(c),(d),(e)& (f): A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a),(b),(c),(d),(e)&(f) OF THE LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 609 BY DR. P. VENUGOPAL AND SHRI M. ANANDAN TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 18.05.2012 REGARDING OFFSHORE WIND POWER

(a): No Madam.

(b): Does not arise.

(c)&(d): The Ministry has constituted an Offshore Wind Energy Steering Committee (OWESC) to examine the policy framework and the requirement of inter-agency coordination towards exploiting Offshore Wind Resources in the country.

(e)&(f): The Ministry has also constituted a Technical Committee to analyze the offshore wind data available with various agencies in order to identify the offshore wind areas and preliminary assessment of their potential.