

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

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

- (a) the salient features of the Integrated Rural Energy Programme;
- (b) the manner in which the scheme is being implemented in the country, particularly in the backward and rural areas;
- (c) whether the Government has assessed the progress of implementation of the scheme in various States;
- (d) if so, the details thereof, State/UT-wise; and
- (e) if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

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

(a) The salient features of the Integrated Rural Energy Programme (implemented up to the year 2006-07 as a Centrally Sponsored Scheme) included- preparation of energy plans at micro and macro levels, demonstration of renewable energy devices/systems and organizing information dissemination and training programmes.

(b),(c),(d)&(e) While formulating proposals for the 11th Plan, the Integrated Rural Energy Programme was reviewed and a decision was taken to discontinue the Programme, as it had already demonstrated its objectives and most of the components of this Programme were covered under renewable energy Programmes/ Schemes being implemented by the Ministry through the State Nodal Agencies.