GOVERNMENT OF INDIA NEW AND RENEWABLE ENERGY LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2714 ANSWERED ON:07.02.2014 EFFECT OF WIND FARMS ON MONSOON Panda Shri Baijayant

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

- (a) whether any study has been conducted by the Government to ascertain the effect of wind farms on the monsoon cycle in the country; and
- (b) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

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

- (a): The Government of Maharashtra had conducted a study in 2004 on the effect of windmills on rainfall by a committee chaired by the Director, Indian Institute of Tropical Meteorology (IITM), Pune and other experts in the field as Members.
- (b): The committee, after considering various technical aspects, had come to a unanimous conclusion that the windmills have no effect on rainfall.