GOVERNMENT OF INDIA NEW AND RENEWABLE ENERGY LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2509 ANSWERED ON:04.12.2009 WIND ENERGY GENERATION Aaron Rashid Shri J.M.

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

- (a) the percentage of power generation through the windmills in Tamil Nadu in comparison to the national production;
- (b) whether the Government proposes to provide any additional incentive for the setting up of windmills in Tamil Nadu;
- (c) if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) the locations identified for setting up of windmills in Tamil Nadu?

Answer

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

- (a): A Wind power capacity of 4580 MW has been installed in Tamil Nadu as against the total National installed capacity of 10,891 MW, which is around 42%. Tamil Nadu is the leading state in wind power development in the country.
- (b) & (c): In order to broaden the investor base in the wind sector, the Government has approved a scheme to provide Generation Based Incentive (GBI) for the electricity fed into the grid by the wind turbines set up till the end of 11th plan period. This benefit will be available in parallel with the existing benefit of accelerated depreciation, on mutually exclusive manner. The scheme will be applicable in all the states including Tamil Nadu.
- (d): A total of 41 potential locations have been identified in the state of Tamil Nadu, which are considered suitable for setting up of windmills.