

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

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WASTE TO ENERGY PLANTS

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

- (a) whether the Government has any proposal to set up waste to energy plants/projects in the country including the State of Tamil Nadu;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government has fixed any eligibility criteria for awarding such plant to any States/projects;
- (d) if so, the details thereof;
- (e) the steps taken by the government to set up more waste to energy plants/projects in the country including Tamil Nadu;
- (f) the details of funds allocated, released and utilized for the purpose during the last three years and the current year, State/UT-wise;
- (g) whether the Government has considered PPP model in those projects, if so, the details thereof; and
- (h) the steps taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR POWER, COAL & NEW AND RENEWABLE ENERGY (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) (SHRI PIYUSH GOYAL)

(a)&(b): Ministry of New and Renewable Energy is promoting setting up of waste-to-energy projects under a Programme on Energy from Urban, Industrial and Agricultural Wastes/Residues in the country, including the State of Tamil Nadu. The Programme provides for financial and fiscal incentives as per the details given at Annexure I.

(c)&(d): The proposals received from the States are considered on case to case basis as per the terms and conditions of the scheme.

(e): In addition to provision of financial and fiscal incentives for setting up of waste-to-energy projects, assistance is provided for organisation of workshops and seminars, etc. for dissemination of information and awareness creation.

(f): The funds are not allocated to States. The State-wise funds released for waste-to-energy projects set up in different States during the last three years and the current year, State/ UT-wise is given at Annexure II.

(g)&(h): Waste-to-Energy projects based on municipal solid wastes are being taken up in PPP mode. Ministry of Urban Development has launched Swachh Bharat Mission on 2nd October, 2014. The Mission, among other measures, includes Solid Waste Management for which there is a provision for 20% of project cost as Viability Gap Funding where State Governments or Urban Local Bodies can opt for any feasible waste processing technology.