

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

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BIOFUEL FROM JATROPHA AND MOLASSES
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Will the Minister of NEW AND RENEWABLE ENERGY be pleased to state:

- (a) the possibility of extracting biofuel from Jatropha and Molasses along with the production target of the same;
- (b) whether the Government proposes to constitute a regulatory authority to focus on developing this field as per its capacity; and
- (c) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

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

(a): The Government of India has given priority for promotion and use of biofuels which includes biodiesel and bioethanol. The Government emphasizes on the use of non-edible oils such as Jatropha for production of biodiesel and bioethanol from sugarcane molasses, which is a by-product of sugar industry.

Their production targets have not been decided.

(b): No such regulatory authority has been proposed.

(c): Does not arise.