

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

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SEWAGE BASED POWER PLANT  
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**Will the Minister of NEW AND RENEWABLE ENERGY be pleased to state:**

(a) whether the Government proposes to launch a project under which the sewage based power plants could be set up to generate electricity for rural and urban habitations in the country; and

(b) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

**Answer**

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

(a): Ministry of Urban Development has informed that there is no proposal to launch a scheme for setting up sewage based power plants. However, the Programme on Energy from Urban, Industrial and Agricultural Wastes/Residues being implemented by the Ministry of New and Renewable Energy includes a component of setting up of projects on power generation from biogas produced at sewage treatment plants. The programme provides for a financial assistance of 40% of the project cost limited to Rs. 2.00 crore per megawatt.

(b): Ministry of Urban Development has informed that Urban sanitation including sewage treatment is a State subject and it is the responsibility of the State Governments / Urban Local Bodies to plan, design, execute and operate and maintain these schemes with State Plan Funds.