GOVERNMENT OF INDIA NEW AND RENEWABLE ENERGY LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:4370 ANSWERED ON:18.12.2014 BIOMASS BASED POWER GENERATION Tanwar Shri Kanwar Singh

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

- (a) whether the Government has a plan to promote biomass-based power generation in the country to provide energy service to people and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) the details of Central financial assistance provided during the last three years to set up grid connected biomass power projects, State-wise;
- (c) whether the Government has taken initiatives to ensure the supply of biomass for such projects; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

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

- (a): The Ministry of New and Renewable Energy has been implementing a programme to support Grid-interactive biomass power and bagasse co- generation in sugar mills in India. Targets of 400 megawatt biomass power projects for the 12th Plan period and 100 megawatt during the current financial year i.e. 2014-15 have been fixed by MNRE.
- (b): The details of the Central Financial Assistance provided during last three years to set up grid- connected biomass power/bagasse cogeneration projects in the States of Gujarat, Haryana, Karnataka, Maharashtra, Rajasthan, Tamil Nadu and Uttar Pradesh is as follows:

(Rs. in crore)
Year CFA Provided
2011-12 Rs.52.84
2012-13 Rs.56.25
2013-14 Rs.31.59

(c)&(d): The promoters/project developer has to ensure supply of biomass for biomass based power generation projects.