

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM & NATURAL GAS

RAJYA SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1732  
ANSWERED ON 18/12/2023

**SATAT SCHEME**

1732SHRI R. DHARMAR:

Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

- (a) the features of Sustainable Alternative Towards Affordable Transportation (SATAT) Scheme;
- (b) details of the funds sanctioned, allocated and utilised under this scheme during the last three years and the current year within Tamil Nadu;
- (c) number of CBG plants set up under SATAT in the State of Tamil Nadu;
- (d) whether Government has fixed any target under this scheme within Tamil Nadu, if so, the details thereof;
- (e) whether Government provides financial assistance in the form of grants and subsidies to the entrepreneurs for setting up CBG plants under the said scheme; and
- (f) if so, the details thereof?

**ANSWER**

**MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM & NATURAL GAS  
(SHRI RAMESWAR TELI)**

(a) Government has launched “Sustainable Alternative Towards Affordable Transportation (SATAT)” initiative on 1<sup>st</sup> October 2018, with the aim of establishing an ecosystem for production of Compressed Bio Gas (CBG) from various waste/ biomass sources and for promoting its use along with Natural Gas. Under this initiative Oil and Gas Marketing Companies (OGMCs) invite Expression of Interest (EOI) to procure CBG from potential entrepreneurs. Till 31<sup>st</sup> October 2023, 50 CBG/biogas plants have been commissioned under SATAT initiative.

As part of this, OGMCs procure CBG from producers at a predetermined price with long term agreements. Further, Government has also issued guidelines for co-mingling of domestic gas for supply for Compressed Natural Gas (Transport) & Piped Natural Gas (Domestic) segments of City Gas Distribution (CGD) Networks for synchronization of CBG with CNG in CGD Network.

(b) Funds are not allocated by Government of India under SATAT.

(c) In Tamil Nadu, so far 5 CBG plants have been commissioned under SATAT initiative.

(d) Government has not fixed State wise targets under SATAT initiative.

(e) & (f) Government has approved Scheme for providing financial assistance to Compressed Biogas (CBG) producers for procurement of biomass aggregation machinery to support collection of biomass for a period of 04 years from FY 2023-24 to FY 2026-27 with a financial outlay of Rs. 564.75 crores. In addition, Central Financial Assistance has been provided to all kind of CBG/biogas plants under Umbrella Scheme of National Bio Energy Programme of Ministry of New and Renewable Energy. Additional Central Assistance on MSW based CBG plants to States and Union Territories for solid waste management has also been provided by Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs under the Scheme of Swachh Bharat Mission Urban 2.0.

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