

**LOK SABHA**  
**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1925**  
**TO BE ANSWERED ON 14<sup>th</sup> DECEMBER, 2023**  
**Compressed Bio Gas Projects**

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पेट्रोलियम और प्राकृतिक गैस मंत्री

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

- (a) the extent to which Compressed Bio Gas (CBG) Projects under priority sector lending helps the country to achieve targets;
- (b) the details of banks that have developed exclusive loan products for financing CBG projects;
- (c) the details of States where his Ministry constituted State Level Committees to push Sustainable Alternative Towards Affordable Transportation (SATAT) Scheme;
- (d) the steps taken/proposed to be taken to push SATAT in other States;
- (e) whether the said steps would help to achieve five per cent blending of biodiesel in diesel by 2030;
- (f) if so, the details thereof and the reasons for drastic fall of biodiesel production from 36 crore litre in 2019-20 to 4.3 crore litre in 2021-22; and
- (g) the total production of biodiesel during the Year 2022-23 and the first six months of 2023-24?

**ANSWER**

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**MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS**  
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- (a) CBG projects falls under Agriculture infrastructure as per RBI guidelines. Loans to agriculture infrastructure are being classified under priority sector lending which has encouraged banks to sanctions loans for CBG projects. As on 01.11.2023, fifty CBG projects supported with both equity of project proponent and debt support from financial institutions, have been commissioned with total production capacity of about 300 tonne per day.
- (b) Major banks like, Canara Bank, State Bank of India, Punjab National Bank, Bank of Baroda, Bank of India, Bank of Maharashtra, Union Bank of India, Indian Bank, Punjab & Sind Bank, UCO Bank have developed exclusive loan product/scheme for financing CBG projects.
- (c) State Level Committees have been constituted for implementation and monitoring of SATAT initiative in States of Andhra Pradesh, Chhattisgarh, Gujarat, Haryana, Maharashtra, Punjab, Tripura, Uttar Pradesh, and West Bengal.
- (d) Government has taken various steps to support SATAT on Pan India basis, including Central Financial Assistance to all kind of CBG/biogas plants under Umbrella Scheme of National Bio

Energy Programme of Ministry of New and Renewable Energy (MNRE), additional Central Assistance on Municipal Solid Waste(MSW) based CBG plants to States and Union Territories for solid waste management by Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs under the Scheme of Swachh Bharat Mission Urban 2.0, Market Development Assistance @ Rs. 1500/MT on Fermented Organic Manure produced from CBG projects under Policy on Promotion of Organic Fertilizer of Department of Fertilizers; incentive on biomass aggregation machinery by Department of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare under Sub Mission on Agricultural Mechanization and Crop Residue Management scheme, policy guidelines for co-mingling of CBG with Natural Gas in City Gas Distribution (CGD) network for synchronization of CBG in CGD network, excise duty exemption on amount of GST-paid on compressed bio gas contained in the blended CNG; introduction of phase wise mandatory blending of CBG in CNG (Transport) & PNG (Domestic) segments of CGD sector from FY 2025-26 and approval of scheme for providing financial assistance to CBG producers for procurement of biomass aggregation machinery to support collection of biomass etc.

(e)to (g) No sir. Biodiesel production and procurement was affected by Covid 19 Pandemic during FY 2020-21 and FY 2021-22. Oil Marketing Companies (OMCs) have procured around 6 crore litres biodiesel in FY 2022-23. During FY 2023-24 OMCs have procured 25.34 crore litres biodiesel up to 30.11.2023.

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