

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:5374
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WIND ENERGY
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Will the Minister of NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES be pleased to state:

- (a) the total number of wind mills functioning in Maharashtra at present;
- (b) the number of wind mills sanctioned for the State during the current financial year along with the location thereof;
- (c) whether any survey has been conducted to explore the possibilities for setting up of wind mills in the next year in the State; and
- (d) if so, the details therefore?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) (SHRI VILAS MUTTEMWAR)

- (a): A total of 1040 wind turbines with an aggregate capacity of about 456 MW in grid connected mode and 58 aero-generators with an aggregate capacity of 265 kW in off-grid mode have so far been installed in Maharashtra.
- (b): No specific sanction is required for setting up of commercial wind power projects in any state, including Maharashtra. During the current financial year, no aero-generators have been sanctioned so far for the State of Maharashtra.
- (c)&(d): Yes Sir. Survey has been conducted to explore the possibility for setting up of aero-generators at about 40 locations in Maharashtra. Wind monitoring is also in progress at 21 locations in the state to explore the possibility for setting up of commercial wind power projects.