

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

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3367  
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COMMITTEE ON DEVELOPMENT OF BIO FUEL .  
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**Will the Minister of NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES be pleased to state:**

- (a) Whether the Government had set up a committee on Development of Bio-fuel;
- (b) If so, the details alongwith the recommendations thereof; and
- (c) The steps taken by the Government to implement its recommendations?

**Answer**

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

(a) & (b) :A Committee was constituted in July, 2002 by the Planning Commission for development of bio-fuels. The Committee had submitted its Report in 2003. The main recommendations in the report include launching of a National Mission on Bio-diesel with special focus on plantation of *Jatropha curcas* on 4 lakh hectare of forest and non-forest land.

(c): The Ministry of Rural Development has been assigned task for implementation of the National Mission on Bio-diesel.