

(c) According to Report of Integrated Energy Policy 2006 by Planning Commission, "8.87% of India's commercial Primary energy is met by Natural Gas".

(d) The Government has adopted multi-pronged strategy to enhance gas production in the country, consisting *inter alia* of the following: -

- i. Intensification of domestic E&P activities through NELP Rounds
- ii. Coal Bed Methane (CBM)
- iii. Underground Coal Gasification
- iv. Gas Hydrates

Allocations for North Eastern Region

885. SHRI PRAVEEN RASHTRAPAL: Will the Minister of DEVELOPMENT OF NORTH EASTERN REGION be pleased to state:

(a) the details of allocations made during the budgets for 2007-08 and 2008-09, for the Development of North Eastern Region;

(b) how much has been spent from the above allocation and how much is in balance;

(c) whether these allocations are directly received from the Ministry of Finance or are received through various Central Ministries; and

(d) what is the total unspent amount as on the 31st March, 2008?

THE MINISTER OF DEVELOPMENT OF NORTH EASTERN REGION (SHRI B.K. HANDIQUE):
(a) and (b) The details of allocations made to the Ministry of Development of North Eastern Region during 2007-08 and 2008-09, the expenditure incurred and the unspent amount are as follows:

	2007-08 (in Rs Cr.)	2008-09 (in Rs. Cr.)
Allocations made	1432.00	1473.25
Expenditure	1406.60	1427.78*
Unspent amount	25.40	45.47*

* Provisional

(c) These allocations are directly received from the Ministry of Finance.

(d) The total unspent amount as on 31st March 2008 was Rs. 25.40 cr.

Waste Disposal

†886. SHRIMATI MAYA SINGH: Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to install separate plants for disposal of industrial and bio-waste, if so, by when Government would implement this project;

(b) the steps taken by Government to prevent plastic waste; and

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi