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Press Release

Registration of additional forty thousand Biogas plants in CDM

The Alternative Energy Promotion Centre (AEPC) under the Ministry of Environment has become pioneer to develop and manage the Clean Development Mechanism (CDM) projects. The number of registered CDM projects under AEPC reached to five after the Clean Development Mechanism (CDM) Executive Board of United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC) decided to register two more Biogas Projects from Nepal on 29 February 2012.

A total of 40,602 biogas plant constructed during April 2005 till July 2007 have been included in these two projects. Biogas program has been executed by AEPC and the BSP Nepal supports AEPC to implement the program.

The effective registration date for these projects is 13 December 2011. Among those two projects BSP-Nepal Activity-3 includes 20,250 biogas plants constructed between 7 April 2005 and 8 May 2006 would yield 56,919 annually Certified Emission Reduction (CER) and BSP-Nepal Activity-4 includes 20,348 biogas plants constructed between 9 May 2006 and 21 June 2007 would yield 56,487 CER annually.

AEPC has already 2 biogas projects and 1 micro hydro project registered as CDM project. 92,278 CERs have been issued from 2 biogas projects for the period of 01 Aug 2004 - 31 Jul 2006. This is largest number of CER issuance among the least developed countries and Alternative Energy Promotion Centre is awaiting issuance of 186,228 CER from these already registered two Biogas Projects. In addition, one Biogas Programme of Activities CDM is at the advanced stage of validation and expected to get registered soon. Two other Programme of Activities CDM for Improved Cooking Stoves and Improved Water Mill are under validation. AEPC has already received 2.1 million US dollar by selling emission reduction from 2 registered biogas CDM projects.

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