

## **GOBARdhan Initiative**

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The <u>GOBARdhan initiative</u> of the Union Government has recently started stimulating **investments** and has been successful in majority of its approach.



# 2. Objectives of GOBARdhan



To support communities in converting cattle and organic waste into wealth using treatment systems





To convert organic waste, especially cattle waste, to biogas and organic manure for use in rural areas

To promote environmental sanitation and curb vector-borne diseases through effective disposal of waste in rural areas





To promote rural employment and income generation opportunities by involving entrepreneurs, SHGs and youth groups in setting up, operating and managing GOBARdhan units

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## About the GOBARdhan Initiative:

- The GOBARdhan Initiative aims to transform "Waste to Wealth" by creating ecosystem for Compressed Biogas (CBG)/Biogas through policy enablers and attractive benefits.
- Stands for: Galvanizing Organic Bio-Agro Resources Dhan
- It was launched under Swachh Bharat Mission Grameen-Phase II.
- It helps in scientific management of organic or biodegradable waste while also providing



**resource** and **monetary** benefits to **rural** households.

- It supports villages to effectively manage their cattle and biodegradable waste.
- It focuses to:
  - Keep villages clean.
  - Increase the income of rural households
  - Generate energy and organic manure from cattle waste
  - Create new rural livelihood opportunities for rural people

#### **Benefits of GOBAR-Dhan Scheme:**



#### Manages waste

Helps manage the major solid waste in villages, i.e, cattle dung, and promotes environmental sanitation



### Increases employment

Promotes employment and income generation opportunities for SHGs/ farmers groups





#### Generates organic manure

Helps generate organic manure, which boosts agriculture and farm productivity



#### Protects health

Substantially reduces the incidence of vector-borne diseases and promotes public health



### Improves savings

Promotes household income and savings as the use of biogas as fuel will cut down the LPG cost

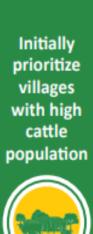


Popularize
the
compelling
business case
for safe
management
of cattle dung
and other
organic waste
among rural
population by
state, district
and block
administration





Promote the business case and community collective action on GOBARdhan through intensive IEC at the local level





of the financial provision of Rs. 50 lakh by several villages in a district

Create
infrastructure
that would
enable it to
be owned,
operated and
managed by
the
community
themselves



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**Guiding principles of GOBAR-Dhan Scheme:** 

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### Success of the GOBARdhan Initiative:

- The <u>Unified Registration Portal for GOBARdhan</u> is helping to streamline the process of registration of functional or under construction Biogas or CBG plants across the country.
- More than 100 CBG plants are under construction soon after the portal has been launched.

## Other government schemes and initiatives for CBG:

- Market Development Assistance (MDA) to promote organic fertilizers
- Amendment in Fertilizer Control Order to make marketing of Fermented Organic Manure (FOM)
  or Liquid FOM easier.
- Exemption of central excise duty to Compressed natural gas (CNG) blended with CBG to prevent double taxation
- Inclusion of CBG in the list of **activities** for trading of <u>carbon credit</u> under bilateral or cooperative approaches etc.