

# Unified Portal of Gobardhan

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**In news :** Recently, Jal Shakti Ministry launched a portal on Gobardhan scheme

## About the portal

### The key stakeholders under Unified Approach namely:

- Ministry of New and Renewable Energy (MNRE)
- Ministry of Petroleum and Natural Gas (MoPNG)
- Department of Animal Husbandry and Dairying
- Department of Agriculture, Cooperation and Farmers Welfare
- Department of Agricultural Research and Education (DARE), and
- Department of Rural Development are having various Biogas programmes/policies/schemes like
  - New National Biogas and Manure Management Programme (NNBOMP) of MNRE,
  - Biofuel Policy & Sustainable Alternative towards Affordable Transportation (SATAT) of MoPNG, and
  - Cooperative schemes through the National Dairy Development Board (NDDB) of Animal Husbandry Department and various other similar schemes.

**Note:** Under the new unified approach, **all these programmes/schemes will be coordinated by the** Department of Drinking Water and Sanitation under the Swachh Bharat Mission – Grameen (SBMG).

Unified Gobardhan portal will ensure close coordination with stakeholder Departments/Ministries for smooth implementation of Biogas schemes/initiatives and its real time tracking.

## About Gobardhan Scheme

Galvanizing Organic Bio-Agro Resources Dhan (GOBAR-DHAN) was

launched to ensure cleanliness in villages by converting bio-waste including cattle waste, kitchen leftovers, crop residue and market waste to improve the lives of villagers. This will provide economic and resource benefits to farmers and households. Gobardhan benefits rural people in general and women in particular from the use of clean fuel, improved cleanliness in villages and through improvement in health. This initiative will support biodegradable waste recovery and conversion of waste into resources, reduction of GHG emission, reduction in import of crude oil, give boost to entrepreneurship and promote organic farming.

### **Objectives of the scheme**

- To support villages safely manage their cattle waste, agricultural waste and in long run all organic waste.
- To support communities convert their cattle and organic waste to wealth using decentralized systems
- Promote environmental sanitation and curb vector borne diseases through effective disposal of waste in rural areas.
- Convert organic waste, especially, cattle waste to bio gas and fertilizer for use in rural areas