

(c) and (d) The Ministry does not fix the target for the States for installation of systems. If the State Government submits the proposals as per the guidelines of the Off-grid SPV programme, the Ministry may consider sanctioning the projects, subject to availability of funds.

Providing solar energy products at cheap rates

†3216. SHRI RAM NATH THAKUR: Will the Minister of NEW AND RENEWABLE ENERGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has made any plan to provide solar energy products in the market on cheap rates; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF NEW AND RENEWABLE ENERGY (SHRI PIYUSH GOYAL): (a) and (b) The Ministry provides 30% subsidy ranging from ₹21 to ₹120 per watt peak depending upon the capacity of the modules and configuration of the products through Stat Nodal Agencies/Channel partners.

The Ministry also provides subsidy at the rate of ₹ 100 per watt peak for installing Solar Lanterns, Home Lights and small capacity PV systems up to 300 watt peak (CFL based) and ₹160 watt peak LED based upto 40 Watt peak by individuals through NABARD, Regional Rural Banks and other commercial banks. For the balance cost, banks extend loans to the beneficiaries at their usual commercial rates to make solar systems affordable.

Solar street lights in Odisha

3217.SHRI ANUBHAV MOHANTY: Will the Minister of NEW AND RENEWABLE ENERGY be pleased to state:

(a) the number of villages of Odisha covered under the provision of solar street lights;

(b) the number of villages of the State proposed to be covered under the provision of solar energy power supply; and

(c) the provision of power generation through solar energy for supply of drinking water in the villages of the State who lack such facility?

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.