

Sector	2016-17	2017-18 (up to Feb., 2018)
Biomass	162	232
Solar	5525	7295
Small Hydro	105	96.8
Wind	5502	597

It can be seen from the above that capacity additions this year in solar and biomass sectors are already higher than that of last year. Low capacity addition in wind energy sector is mainly due to change in mode of procurement *i.e.* from feed in tariff to bidding. However, this year the Ministry of New and Renewable Energy and State Government utilities have already bid out 8500 MW of capacity against total implementation of 5502 MW during 2016-17 through feed in tariff.

#### Solar plants in Bihar

†2061. SHRI RAMNATH THAKUR: Will the Minister of NEW AND RENEWABLE ENERGY be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that Government is contemplating to supply electricity generated through solar plants using sunlight;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the States where solar plants have been set up so far and the details thereof along with their location in Bihar?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF NEW AND RENEWABLE ENERGY (SHRI RAJ KUMAR SINGH): (a) and (b) The Government has set a target of installing 100 GW of capacity through grid connected solar power projects by 2022. Against this target, a capacity of 19.58 GW has already been installed and 7.34 GW capacity is under various stages of installation. Apart from this, tenders for setting up 14.23 GW capacity have been issued.

- (c) State-wise details of grid connected solar capacities installed in the country as on 28.02.2018 are given in the Statement (*See below*). The State Government of Bihar has reported setting up of following solar power generation plants:—

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.

Gaya District	-	50 MW
Nawada District	-	13MW
West Champaran	-	15 MW
Banka District	-	30 MW
Aurangabad District	-	20 MW
Madhya Pradesh (for Bihar State)	-	10 MW

***Statement****Commissioning status of grid connected solar projects*

Sl. No.	State/UT	Total cumulative capacity till 28-02-18 (MW)
1	2	3
1.	Andaman and Nicobar Islands	13.07
2.	Andhra Pradesh	2170.32
3.	Arunachal Pradesh	4.39
4.	Assam	12.45
5.	Bihar	142.45
6.	Chandigarh	25.20
7.	Chhattisgarh	185.03
8.	Dadra and Nagar Haveli	5.46
9.	Daman and Diu	10.61
10.	Delhi	69.52
11.	Goa	0.91
12.	Gujarat	1587.00
13.	Haryana	215.85
14.	Himachal Pradesh	2.23
15.	Jammu and Kashmir	6.86

1	2	3
16.	Jharkhand	25.67
17.	Karnataka	3657.52
18.	Kerala	107.93
19.	Lakshadweep	0.75
20.	Madhya Pradesh	1247.41
21.	Maharashtra	772.33
22.	Manipur	1.33
23.	Meghalaya	0.06
24.	Mizoram	0.20
25.	Nagaland	0.50
26.	Odisha	79.57
27.	Puducherry	0.18
28.	Punjab	913.16
29.	Rajasthan	2317.11
30.	Sikkim	0.01
31.	Tamil Nadu	1822.57
32.	Telangana	3282.67
33.	Tripura	5.09
34.	Uttar Pradesh	551.15
35.	Uttarakhand	294.08
36.	West Bengal	53.52
TOTAL		19584.15

#### **Closing down of regional office at Bhubaneswar**

2062. SHRI DILIP KUMAR TIRKEY: Will the Minister of NEW AND RENEWABLE ENERGY be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that the regional office of Ministry of New and Renewable Energy situated at Bhubaneswar has been closed by the Ministry; and
- (b) if so, what are the reasons therefor?