

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF NEW AND RENEWABLE ENERGY  
**RAJYA SABHA**  
**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO-2689**  
ANSWERED ON-21/12/2021

**SOLAR ENERGY PROJECT IN GOA**

2689. SHRI DEREK O' BRIEN

Will the Minister of NEW AND RENEWABLE ENERGY be pleased to state:

- (a) whether a new solar power project has been announced for 100 percent electrification of rural homes in Goa;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the timeline that has been set to complete the project;
- (d) the total number of households which will benefit from this project; and
- (e) the target investment required for this project and what is the current budget that has been allocated for the same?

**ANSWER**

**THE MINISTER OF NEW & RENEWABLE ENERGY AND POWER**

**(SHRI R.K. SINGH)**

(a) to (e) As reported by the state Electricity Department of Goa, the state is 100% electrified, however, there are 261 households which are in forest/remote areas in hilly terrain where grid connectivity is not feasible. Goa Energy Development Agency is implementing rural village electrification programme wherein these households are being provided with individual solar power packs of 500W capacity each with battery backup for domestic lighting. A budget of Rs. 2.0 Crore has been allocated for the same.

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