

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF NEW AND RENEWABLE ENERGY  
RAJYA SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3810  
ANSWERED ON 05.04.2022

**SOLAR PANELS AT SUBSIDIZED RATES**

3810. SHRI K.J. ALPHONS

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

- (a) whether there is any policy to offer solar panels at subsidised rates for educational and religious institutions, and NGOs;
- (b) if so, the expected budget required to carry out the policy; and
- (c) whether Government is willing to take steps, if such a policy does not exist?

**ANSWER**

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

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

(a) to (c) Provision of central financial assistance (CFA) for institutional and social sectors was available under Phase-I of Rooftop Solar Programme, which was under implementation in the country till March 2020. With reduction in cost of the installation of Rooftop Solar (RTS) power systems, central financial assistance to beneficiaries of all sectors, except residential sector, has been discontinued under Phase-II of Rooftop Solar Programme currently under implementation.

However, Under Ph-II of the RTS Programme, incentives of 5% of the benchmark cost for RTS capacity addition beyond 10% and up to 15% of the baseline RTS capacity as on 31st March of the previous year, and incentives of 10% of the benchmark cost for RTS capacity addition beyond 15% of the baseline RTS capacity as on 31st March of the previous year, are being provided to DISCOMs towards installation of RTS projects in all sectors, including solar power panels at educational and religious institutions, NGOs, etc.

\*\*\*\*\*