

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF POWER
RAJYA SABHA
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ROOFTOP SOLAR TARGETS

798 SHRI SANJAY RAUT:

Will the Minister of **POWER**
be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that only 20 per cent of Rooftop solar target has been achieved in the country till 2022;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether it is a fact that consumers are facing several problems during the installation of rooftop solar panel in their households;
- (d) if so, the details thereof and Government's response thereto; and
- (e) the details of steps taken or proposed to be taken by Government to boost and for proper implementation of Rooftop Solar project system in the country?

A N S W E R

THE MINISTER OF POWER AND NEW & RENEWABLE ENERGY

(SHRI R.K. SINGH)

(a) to (e) : The Ministry of New and Renewable energy (MNRE) is implementing Rooftop Solar Programme Phase II, targeting installation of aggregated 4000 Megawatt (MW) capacity rooftop solar plants in the residential sector through central financial assistance by the year 2022. The guidelines for the implementation of the Programme were issued on 20.08.2019 and thereafter capacities were allocated to the States. Against this target capacity of 4000 MW, based on the demand received from States, around 3160 MW capacity has been allocated to the States' implementing agencies, out of which 1176 MW capacity has been reported installed as on 31.12.2021.

The implementation of this Programme has got significantly affected due to Covid-19 pandemic. Ministry of Power has already given extension of five months time on account of first wave of Covid-19 pandemic and another four months time on account of second wave of Covid-19 pandemic. The ongoing third wave of Covid-19 pandemic has again affected the progress. However, implementation of the Programme is being reviewed from time to time to make it effective in delivering the targeted benefits and guidelines are amended accordingly. Recently MNRE has issued a procedure for simplification of Rooftop Solar Programme allowing household owners to get the rooftop solar plant installed by themselves or through any vendor of their choice.
