

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF NEW AND RENEWABLE ENERGY
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PLAN/POLICY TO RUN GOVERNMENT OFFICES WITH SOLAR POWER

1567#. SHRI MITHLESH KUMAR

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

- (a) Whether there is any plan/policy to run various Government offices in the country with solar power;
- (b) if so, the reasons therefor;
- (c) Whether any plan/policy has been formulated for the common people in the country to set up solar power stations in their own land; and
- (d) If so, the reasons therefor?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF NEW & RENEWABLE ENERGY AND POWER

(SHRI R.K. SINGH)

(a) & (b) The Ministry of New and Renewable Energy has been pursuing with other Central Ministries and State Governments for installing rooftop solar projects at Government offices for adoption of clean energy.

(c) & (d) The Ministry is presently implementing following schemes for the common people to set up solar power plants on their roofs/land:

(i) Rooftop Solar Programme Phase II

Under this programme Central Financial Assistance (CFA) upto 40% of the benchmark cost is provided for installation of Rooftop Solar (RTS) projects upto 3 kW capacity and 20% for capacity beyond 3 kW and upto 10 kW for individual households in residential sector. For Group Housing Societies/Residential Welfare Associations (GHS/RWA), CFA is limited to 20% of the benchmark cost for installation of RTS plant of capacity upto 500 kW for supply of power to common facilities.

(ii) PM-KUSUM Scheme

Under Component A, of the PM-KUSUM Scheme solar power plants of capacity up to 2 MW can be setup on barren/fallow/marshy/cultivable land owned by farmers by an individual farmer or a group of farmers or co-operatives or panchayats or Farmer Producer Organizations (FPOs) or Water User Associations (WUAs). The power generated is purchased by the local DISCOMs at a tariff determined by concerned State Electricity Regulatory Commission.
