

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
NEW AND RENEWABLE ENERGY
LOK SABHA**

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

- (a) whether a white paper on "transitioning to a renewable energy future" has been prepared by the International Solar Energy Society;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the steps taken to promote infrastructure for manufacture and supply of non-conventional energy equipments in the country?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF NEW AND RENEWABLE ENERGY (SHRI VILAS MUTTEMWAR)

(a): Yes, Sir.

(b) : The White Paper, among other things, suggests that both fundamental and applied R&D should form an important component of New & Renewable Energy Policy and Programmes.

(c): Indian Renewable Energy Development Agency, a non banking financial company under the administrative control of the Ministry of New & Renewable Energy, has currently a provision for extending limited loans at concessional terms to certain segments of renewable energy industry.