

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

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

- (a) whether the Government is taking any steps for manufacturing of indigenous equipments for the production of renewable energy and to make equipments available at cheaper rates:
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the amount being spent each year on procuring the foreign equipments as on date?

Answer

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

(a)&(b) :The research and development and demonstration support provided by the Government has resulted in establishing indigenous manufacturing base for the production of various renewable energy systems/equipments in the country. Most of the commonly used renewable energy systems/equipments are being manufactured indigenously.

The Indian companies are also exporting some of the renewable energy systems/ equipments. The Government is providing several financial and fiscal incentives to encourage domestic production and make renewable energy systems/equipments available at cheaper rates. These incentives include

- (i) capital subsidy on some of the systems
- (ii) soft loan to manufacturers and users
- (iii) concessional or nil duty on imports of some of the equipment, raw materials and components
- (iv) excise duty exemption on several renewable energy systems/equipments; and
- (v) 80% accelerated depreciation in first year etc..

(c):The import of various renewable energy equipments is permitted under Open General Licence (OGL); therefore, no data on import of all renewable energy equipments are maintained by the Ministry.