

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

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

- (a) Whether there is a shortage of solar power equipments in the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government proposes to import these equipments; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF NEW AND RENEWABLE ENERGY (DR. FAROOQ ABDULLAH)

(a) & (b): There is no shortage of solar photovoltaic power equipment in the country to meet present level of demand; however, solar thermal collectors for power generation are not manufactured commercially in the country.

(c) & (d): The solar power projects are installed on build, own and operate basis by the project developers to avail generation based incentive under Ministry's programme. Concessional custom duty on imports of project specific items is available.