

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

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SOLAR ENERGY RESEARCH CENTRES  
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**Will the Minister of NEW AND RENEWABLE ENERGY be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the Government has received any proposals from the State Government including Rajasthan regarding the establishment of the Solar Energy Research Centres;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the action taken by the Government thereon?

**Answer**

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

(a),(b)&(c): The Ministry has received project proposals for setting up Research Centres from IIT Bombay, Mumbai; Pondicherry University, Puducherry; and CEPT University, Ahmedabad. In addition, several other institutions including IIT Jodhpur and the State of Andhra Pradesh have shown interest in developing such proposals in the area of solar energy. However, no specific project proposal from the State Governments including Rajasthan has been received. The Ministry has a well laid policy for appraisal and consideration of such project proposals.