

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

STARRED QUESTION NO:450

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SOLAR POWER PLANTS

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

- (a) the funds released to various State Governments / implementing agencies for solar power plants during the last three years and the current year;
- (b) whether the funds released for the purpose have been utilized properly;
- (c) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;
- (d) the mechanism in place to ensure proper utilization of funds by the State Governments/implementing agencies;
- (e) whether funds have also been released under the Jawaharlal Nehru National Solar Mission; and
- (f) if so, the details thereof?

**Answer**

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

(a),(b),(c),(d),(e)&(f) : A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

Statement

Statement referred to in reply to Parts (a),(b),(c),(d),(e)&(f) of the Lok Sabha Starred Question No. 450 for 27th August, 2010.

(a): An amount of about Rs. 119.25 crores has been released to different State renewable energy development agencies and other implementing agencies for establishment of stand alone and grid-connected solar photovoltaic power plants during the last three years and the current year.

(b),(c)&(d): Yes, Madam. The funds released by the Government are being utilized by the implementing agencies for setting up of the solar power plants. These agencies are required to provide utilization certificates for the funds released by the Government, audited statements of expenditure for the projects and progress reports on implementation. In addition, the officials of the Ministry also undertake periodic visits to the States.

(e)&(f): Yes, Madam. An amount of about Rs. 115.85 crores has been released for various solar photovoltaic and solar thermal projects in different States and Union Territories, under the Jawaharlal Nehru National Solar Mission during the current year.