GOVERNMENT OF INDIA NEW AND RENEWABLE ENERGY LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:5081 ANSWERED ON:10.12.2010 SOLAR POWER DEVICES Choudhry Smt. Shruti

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

- (a) the number of Solar Power devices like home lighting systems, solar lanterns, solar lamps and led based solar lanterns distributed in the country including Haryana during 2009-10; and
- (b) the details of subsidy provided/proposed to be provided by the Union Government thereon?

Answer

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

- (a): Under the Ministry's SPV Demonstration Programme, 78,408 solar lanterns and 1,08,599 solar home lighting systems were installed during 2009-11 in the country including Haryana. In addition, Haryana Renewable Energy Development Agency supported distribution of 26,686 LED solar lanterns in the State of Haryana.
- (b): During 2009-10, the Ministry provided a subsidy of Rs. 2400 for solar lanterns to individuals and full cost to a girl child studying in class IX to XII living in nelectrified villages and hamlets in Special Category States and UT islands and `2500-`8660 for home lighting systems depending upon the model and category of users. Under the Jawaharlal Nehru National Solar Mission (JNNSM), the Ministry is financially supporting installation of off-grid solar applications including solar lights and other solar energy systems through a combination of 30% subsidy and/ or 5% interest bearing loans by individuals, non-commercial entities and industrial/ commercial entities.