

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

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

- (a) whether there is any scheme for installation of solar energy and energy saving lights and other resources for handlooms in industrial cities of the country including Gajraula;
- (b) if so, the time by which it is likely to be done; and
- (c) if not, the reasons therefor?

**Answer**

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

(a),(b)&(c): 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. The Scheme is open to the handlooms in industrial cities in the country as well.