GOVERNMENT OF INDIA NEW AND RENEWABLE ENERGY LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:4692 ANSWERED ON:07.08.2009 INSTALLATION COST FOR SOLAR DEVICES Thakur Shri Anurag Singh

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

- (a) whether any installation cost has been fixed for solar energy devices and setting up of bio-gas plants under the National Bio-gas and Manure Management Programme as well as subsidy given to the people below poverty line;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether there is any special price list for the North Eastern Region and Hilly States of India like Himachal Pradesh, Uttarakhand and Jammu and Kashmir; and
- (d) If so, the details thereof?

Answer

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

(a),(b),(c)&(d): No,Sir.The Ministry of New & Renewable Energy has not fixed any installation cost for solar energy devices and setting up of bio-gas plants under the National Biogas and Manure Management Programme, as such systems are also site-specific. Under the Solar Photovoltaic Programme solar lanterns are being provided free of cost to one girl child (studying in classes IX to XII) per below poverty line family residing in un-electrified villages and hamlets of North Eastern Region, Sikkim and Hilly States of India like Himachal Pradesh, Uttarakhand and Jammu and Kashmir.

There is no special price list for the North Eastern Region and Hilly States of India. However, higher levels of central financial assistance/ subsidy are provided for solar energy systems/ devices and family type biogas plants for their installation in this Region and Hilly States. Details of the same are given in Annexure-I.