

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

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SOLAR LIGHTS IN TRAINS
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Will the Minister of NEW AND RENEWABLE ENERGY be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government proposes to install solar lights in trains/compartments in the country;
- (b) if so, the details of trial conducted in this regard so far; and
- (c) the outcome of the research especially in respect of its economic viability?

Answer

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

- (a): Yes, Madam. Ministry of Railways proposes to install solar lights in trains in the country.
- (b): Solar Lighting based train lighting system has been provided in one narrow gauge coach plying on Pathankot- Jogindernagar Route in Kangra Valley section on trial basis.
- (c): One coach with solar lighting system is under trial. On evaluation of trial further study of economic viability will be undertaken.