GOVERNMENT OF INDIA POWER LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:963 ANSWERED ON:10.07.2009 USE OF CFLs Ahir Shri Hansraj Gangaram;Semmalai Shri S.

Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has decided to popularize the use of Compact Fluorescent Lamps (CFLs) as a power saving device; and
- (b) if so, the details of the measures taken/being taken including financial assistance provided or proposed to be provided by the Government in this regard, State-wise?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER (SHRI BHARATSINH SOLANKI)

- (a): Yes, Madam.
- (b) : The Government of India, through the Bureau of Energy Efficiency (BEE), has launched a scheme named the `Bachat Lamp Yojana` in the country on 25.02.2009 to provide Compact Fluorescent Lamps (CFLs) at the price of an incandescent bulb by leveraging the Clean Development Mechanism (CDM). The manufacturers will provide CFLs under this programme and will earn Carbon Emission Rights (CERs) revenues that will accrue as a result of reduced energy consumption by use of CFLs. The CERs would then be sold in the international market and the differential cost of supplying the bulb at the price of an incandescent bulb would be recouped by the manufactures.

Three Tripartite Agreements have been signed one each with the states of Haryana, Uttarakhand and Rajasthan. Two Tripartite Agreements have been signed with the state of Andhra Pradesh. At present, one pilot project each for Haryana and Andhra Pradesh has been registered by the CDM Executive Board. A Programme of Activities (PoA) has been prepared to enable replication of the scheme in the household sector of the country. To facilitate this scheme, BEE is bearing the entire monitoring cost required under the approved CDM methodology, under a scheme approved by the Government for which a provision of Rs.48.00 crores has been made.