

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY  
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:508  
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POWER FOR SEZ  
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**Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the Government has initiated the policy for greening its rapid industrialization plan by making it mandatory for all Special Economic Zones to power at least a quarter of their lighting needs with solar energy;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government also proposes that at least half of the lighting requirements for bill boards in the SEZs need solar power; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

**Answer**

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY (DR. D. PURANDESWARI)

(a) to (d) : Guidelines have been issued in October, 2010 regarding energy conservation in Special Economic Zones ( SEZs). The details of these guidelines are available on the website: [www.sezindia.nic.in](http://www.sezindia.nic.in).