

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

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SOLAR POWER INSTALLATION IN RESIDENTIAL AREA
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Will the Minister of NEW AND RENEWABLE ENERGY be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has got cool response regarding installation of solar power system in residential areas due to high costs of its installation;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the steps taken/proposed to be taken by the Government to make it more popular in the country, especially in the rural areas?

Answer

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

(a)&(b): No, Madam. The Ministry has sanctioned 15780 off-grid solar photovoltaic (SPV) power plants of total capacity of 13.25 MWp to be installed on individual houses in the country during 2012-13.

(c): Under the Off-grid and Decentralized Solar Applications Scheme of Jawaharlal Nehru National Solar Mission the Ministry of New & Renewable Energy is providing a subsidy of 30% of the project cost limited to Rs. 72 per Wp for installation of standalone power plants having module capacity upto 1 kWp on the roof tops of individual houses in the country including rural areas.