

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

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ROOF TOP SOLAR PANEL
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Will the Minister of NEW AND RENEWABLE ENERGY be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government plans to subsidize the cost of rooftop solar power generators for the production of electricity in individual households;
- (b) if so, the details thereof along with the funds/grants allocated to various States/UTs for the purpose;
- (c) whether the Government also proposes to formulate a scheme allowing house/flat owners to install solar panels on rooftops;
- (d) if so, the details thereof and the modalities worked out/being worked out along with the number of beneficiaries identified for the purpose, State/UT- wise; and
- (e) the steps taken by the Government to expand the scheme by accommodating more number of beneficiaries under it?

Answer

MINISTER FOR NEW AND RENEWABLE ENERGY (DR. FAROOQ ABDULLAH)

- (a)&(b): Yes, Madam. The Ministry is providing Central Financial Assistance (CFA) upto 30% of the project cost limited to benchmark cost of Rs.100 Per Watt for grid connected rooftop Solar Power Generators. The individual house- holds are also eligible to avail this CFA.
- (c): The house/flat owners are already allowed to install rooftop solar systems on their roofs.
- (d)&(e): The scheme is operated through State Nodal Agencies, Channel Partners, Solar Energy Corporation of India and Banks. These agencies are making efforts to identify the beneficiaries.