

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

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NATIONAL SOLAR MISSION  
Tamta Shri Ajay

**Will the Minister of NEW AND RENEWABLE ENERGY be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the Jawaharlal Nehru National Solar Mission (JNNSM) is still under operation;
- (b) if so, the achievements made so far under the Mission in the country including Uttarakhand;
- (c) the extent to which Government foresee the popularization of use of solar energy in Government buildings, new housing complexes/societies in cities;
- (d) whether the Government intends to provide financial assistance to States in this regard keeping in view high cost of solar energy equipments; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof, State/UT-wise?

**Answer**

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR POWER, COAL & NEW AND RENEWABLE ENERGY (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) (SHRI PIYUSH GOYAL)

(a): Yes Madam.

(b): So far, 3382.78 MWp grid solar power, 357.18 MWp equivalent off-grid solar applications and 8.73 million square meters solar thermal collector areas for solar water heating systems, solar cooking, industrial process heat applications have been deployed in the country under Jawaharlal Nehru National Solar Mission (JNNSM). This includes 5.0 MWp grid solar power, 2.7 MWp equivalent off-grid solar applications and 0.029 million square meters solar thermal collector areas for solar water heating systems, solar cooking, industrial process heat applications in Uttarakhand.

(c): The Ministry foresees all residential, commercial, industrial and institutional sectors including Government buildings, new housing complexes/societies in cities as potential area for solar rooftops, solar water heating systems, solar cooking and process heat applications in the country.

(d)&(e): The Ministry is providing financial assistance in the form of subsidy, concessional import duty/excise duty exemption, accelerated depreciation and tax holiday for setting up of solar power plants, public awareness and capacity building across the country applicable in all State/UTs.