

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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SOLAR POWER PROJECTS

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

- (a) whether the Government has approved a scheme for setting up of 1000 MW of grid-connected solar PV power projects with viability gap fund and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) the funds to be incurred for this purpose;
- (c) the advantage that private players will get on setting up solar power in remote areas;
- (d) whether the Government organizations have also come forward to set up solar power projects and if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) the other steps taken/being taken by the Government to make India a major solar power producing country in the world?

Answer

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

(a)&(b): No, Madam. There is, however a scheme to setup 750 MW Grid connected solar power projects under Viability Gap Fund (VGF), under implementation by Solar Energy Corporation of India (SECI). Approximately Rs 1,400 Crore will be required for this scheme.

(c): Private players can get land at cheaper rate in remote areas.

(d): Yes, Madam. Central and State Government Organizations have setup approximately 94 MW capacity Solar Power Projects under Jawaharlal Nehru National Solar Mission (JNNSM)

(e): I. Ministry organised a Global Investors Meet & Expo, "RE-INVEST" on 15-17 February, 2015 in New Delhi to showcase the Government commitment towards development and scaling up of Renewable Energy in the country.

II. Government is implementing the Jawaharlal Nehru National Solar Mission (JNNSM).

III. Ministry is implementing scheme for development of Solar Parks.

IV. Concessional Customs Duty Certificate (CCDC) and Excise Duty Exemption Certificates (EDECs), for setting up of Solar power projects.