

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

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

- (a) the number of villages presently covered under the provision of power generation through solar energy for drinking water and street lights in the country including Uttar Pradesh, State/UT-wise;
- (b) the number of villages in the country including Uttar Pradesh proposed to be covered under the provision of solar energy power supply, State/ UT-wise; and
- (c) the various steps taken by the Government for providing such basic facilities in the villages which lack such facility?

Answer

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

- (a): A total of 4688 habitations covered under Solar powered water supply and 21560 villages are covered through solar street lights. State/UT-wise list is placed at Annexure-I and Annexure-II respectively.
- (b): There is no target proposed from Ministry to cover villages under the provision of solar energy power supply. State government sends the proposal as per their requirement and Ministry considers the proposal subject to availability of funds.
- (c): Ministry provides capital subsidy for installations of Off grid Solar PV applications/ mini-micro grid to provide energy access to the villages.