

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS
LOK SABHA**

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Using of Solar Energy

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Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has advised the oil marketing companies to prepare plan for using of solar energy for lighting their retail outlets and LPG distributors; and

(b) if so, the details thereof and the action taken by the Government thereon and if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM & NATURAL GAS (SHRI DHARMENDRA PRADHAN)

(a) Yes, Madam. Government has advised Oil Marketing Companies (OMCs) to provide Solar Power System at Retail Outlets. There is no plan for using solar energy for lighting LPG Distributorships.

(b) OMCs have also been advised to adopt the policy of providing loan to Retail Outlet Dealers for setting up of Solar Power System at Retail Outlets. Number of ROs solarized as on 31.03.2015 and the targets for financial years 2015-16 and 2016-17 for providing Solar Power Systems at Retail Outlets by OMCs are as under :

OMCs	No. of ROs solarized	Targets
	2015-16	2016-17
IOCL	2663	1500 2000
BPCL	235	350 700
HPCL	227	300 700
Industry	3125	2150 3400

