

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

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3804  
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SOLAR INDUSTRY  
Reddy,Kotha Prabhakar

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

- (a) whether the Government has taken any initiatives to boost manufacturing in the solar industry;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) if not, the reasons therefor ; and
- (d) the list of Memorandum of Understanding (MoUs) signed in this regard ?

**Answer**

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

(a) : Yes, Madam.

(b) : Initiatives taken by the Government to boost manufacturing in solar industry are :

- (i) provision of domestic content requirement in various schemes to source cells and modules of domestic origin
  - (ii) Exemption of Customs and Excise duty on input raw material required for manufacturing of cells and modules
  - (iii) Capital subsidy for manufacturers under Special Incentive Package Scheme (SIPS) & Modified Special Incentive Package Scheme (M-SIPS) by DEITY.
  - (iv) developers are free to set up manufacturing units also under the Solar Park scheme launched by the MNRE.
- (c) : Does not arise.
- (d) : Government has not signed any MoUs in this regard.