

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

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

(a) whether the Government proposes to affiliate or collaborate National Rural Livelihood Mission, National Rural Drinking Water Programme, Nirmal Bharat Abhiyan and Saansad Adarsh Gram Yojana etc. with New and Renewable Energy ministry for better delivery of its programmes to ensure last mile connectivity of rural areas for addressing the energy deficiency issues;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government proposes to link rural development programmes with renewable energy schemes for better delivery and connectivity with State Governments;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the steps taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

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

(a),(b),(c),(d)&(e): The Government implements renewable energy programmes in conjunction with National Rural Drinking Water Programme and the Swachh Bharat Mission (Gramin) as per details given below:

?Ministry of Drinking Water and Sanitation along with Ministry of New and Renewable Energy have initiated a new Scheme for installation of 20,000 Solar Pumping Systems in habitations with populations between 150 to 250. The said pumps are to be installed in remote areas of the country where there is no supply of electricity.

The Swachh Bharat Mission (Gramin) {SBM(G)} which aims at attaining a Open Defecation Free India by 2nd October, 2019, by providing access to toilet facilities to all rural house-holds and initiating Solid and Liquid Waste Management is a main component of Swachh Bharat Mission (Gramin). Under this component, activities like compost pits, vermin composting, biogas plants, low cost drainage, soakage channels/ pits, reuse of waste water and system for collection, menstrual hygiene management, segregation and disposal of household garbage etc can be taken up. Convergence of SBM (G) with MNRE can be taken in the construction of biogas plants for solid waste management of bio-degradable wastes.