

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF NEW AND RENEWABLE ENERGY
LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2886
TO BE ANSWERED ON 04.01.2018
SUBSIDIZED SOLAR PUMPS

2886. SHRI SANJAY KAKA PATIL:
SHRI G.M. SIDDESHWARA:

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

- (a): whether the Government proposes to subsidize solar pumps for farmers across the country;
- (b): if so, the details thereof along with the quantum of subsidy; and
- (c): the other steps taken by the Government to promote the farm activities using solar power in rural areas of the country?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR POWER AND NEW & RENEWABLE ENERGY (I/C)
(SHRI R.K. SINGH)

(a) & (b): Under the Off-grid and Decentralized Solar PV Applications Programme, the Ministry of New and Renewable Energy provides financial support up to 30% of the benchmark cost to the farmers for installation of solar water pumping system as detailed below:

S. No.	Capacity of Solar Pump	Financial support
1.	Up to 1 HP	30% of benchmark cost
2.	Above 1 HP and up to 3 HP	25% of benchmark cost
3.	Above 3 HP and up to 5 HP	20% of benchmark cost

(c): Under UNDP-GEF project, the Ministry is supporting development of Renewable Energy Technology Packages for Rural Livelihoods and the sectors broadly identified include horticulture, dairy, poultry, fisheries, handicrafts (bamboo/weaving) and other village industries.
