

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF NEW AND RENEWABLE ENERGY
LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 4136
TO BE ANSWERED ON 18.07.2019

GRID CONNECTED ROOF TOP SOLAR PROGRAMME

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

- (a) whether the Government is implementing grid connected roof top and small solar power plants programme;
- (b) if so, the details thereof along with the central financial assistance given to the State of Tamil Nadu;
- (c) whether the said programme will be extended to Tenkasi region in Tamil Nadu which has huge potential of solar power; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof and the time by which a decision in the said matter will be taken?

ANSWER

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

(a) to (d) Under Phase II of the “Grid Connected Rooftop Solar programme” approved in February 2019, central financial assistance (CFA) is being provided for residential sector consumers with the CFA amount being fixed at 40% of tendered cost or benchmark cost whichever is lower for installation of rooftop solar plants upto 3kW and at 20% of tendered cost or benchmark cost whichever is lower for plant capacity from 3kWp to 10 kWp. Further, for Group Housing Societies/Resident Welfare Associations (GHS/RWA) upto 20 % of tendered cost or benchmark cost whichever is lower is being provided for installation of rooftop solar plants up to 500 KW for supply of power to common facilities. The capacity eligible for CFA for GHS/RWA will be limited to 10 kWp per house in the society upto a limit of 500kWp, inclusive of RTS already installed on individual houses in that GHS/RWA at the time of installation of RTS for common activities. The CFA can be availed through Electricity Distribution Companies (DISCOMs) supplying power to the individual residence/GHS/RWA.

Incentives for the DISCOMs for achievement of additional capacity above baseline has also been provided for.

The programme is being implemented in entire country, including Tenkasi region in Tamil Nadu State.

No CFA has been released under Phase II of the programme. However, under Phase I of the “Grid Connected Rooftop and Small Solar Power Plants programme”, about Rs. 78.41 Crore has been released to Tamil Nadu Energy Development Agency (TEDA) as CFA for installation of rooftop solar plants in the State of Tamil Nadu.
