

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF NEW AND RENEWABLE ENERGY
RAJYA SABHA
QUESTION NO 21.12.2009
ANSWERED ON
GRID AND OFF GRID SOLAR POWER .

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

(a) whether Government has approved the setting up of a 1,100 MW grid solar power and 200 MW off-grid solar application utilizing both solar, thermal and photovoltaic technologies in the first phase of the Jawaharlal Nehru National Solar Mission; and

(b) whether in addition, the Mission will also focus on R&D and Human Resource Development to develop and strengthen Indian skills and to enhance indigenous content to make the Mission sustainable?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF NEW AND RENEWABLE ENERGY

(DR. FAROOQ ABDULLAH)

(a)&(b): A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

Statement referred to in parts (a)&(b) of the Rajya Sabha Starred Question No. 454 for 21st December 2009

(a)&(b): Yes, Sir. The Government has approved the target for the first phase of the Jawaharlal Nehru National Solar Mission, to set up 1,100 MW of grid connected solar plants, which includes 100 MW capacity plants to be set up as rooftop and small solar power plants. In addition, 200 MW capacity equivalent off-grid solar applications and 7 million square metre solar thermal collector area are also proposed in the first phase of the Mission, till March 2013. The Mission also provides for support to research and development in solar energy technologies and manpower development through training, fellowships and education about solar energy technologies and applications.