GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF NEW AND RENEWABLE ENERGY RAJYA SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 284 TO BE ANSWERED ON 12.12.2016

EFFICIENT SOLAR PANELS

*284. SHRIMATI VANDANA CHAVAN:

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

- (a) the quantum of solar power Government plans to generate through decentralized rooftop projects, utility scale solar plants and ultra mega solar plants by 2022;
- (b) whether Government is introducing solar panels with efficiency greater than the normal 24 per cent and if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the measures that would be taken by Government to reduce the lowering of efficiency of solar panels that could occur due to accumulation of dust of them?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE FOR POWER, COAL , NEW & RENEWABLE ENERGY & MINES (SHRI PIYUSH GOYAL)

(a) to (c): A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

Statement referred to in reply to Parts (a) to (c) of Lok Sabha Starred Question No. 284 for Answer on 12.12.2016

- (a): Govt. has planned to install 1,00,000 MW solar power by 2022, which include rooftop projects and utility scale ground mounted projects.
- **(b):** Under the programme, developers are free to select the technology and efficiency of the solar panels, as long as the same complies to the technical specifications, prescribed under the guidelines.
- **(c):** The solar power projects are also being installed by solar power developers on Build, Own and Operate (BOO) basis. The responsibility of the operation and maintenance of the solar modules/panels is the responsibility of the developer. The decrease in efficiency of solar panels can be controlled through regular cleaning of the modules.
