

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF NEW AND RENEWABLE ENERGY  
**RAJYA SABHA**  
**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3589**  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 03.04.2017

**THREE FOLD INCREASE IN SOLAR ENERGY**

3589. SHRI PRABHAT JHA:

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

- (a) whether it is a fact that there has been three fold increase in solar energy generation capacity during the last three years and if so, the details thereof; and
- (b) whether Government is working on any action plan to ensure that solar energy be the main source of energy in future and if so, the details thereof?

**ANSWER**

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

(a): Yes, Sir. Details of solar power capacity addition from 2013-14 onwards are given below:-

Sl. No.	Year	Cumulative capacity (MW)
1	2013-14	2632 MW
2	2014-15	3744 MW
3	2015-16	6763 MW
4	2016-17	10176 MW (as on 21.3.2017)

(b): The Government has revised the National Solar Mission target of Grid Connected Solar Power projects from 20,000 MW to 1,00,000 MW by 2022 so as to increase the solar energy generation to help energy security in the country.

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