

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF NEW AND RENEWABLE ENERGY
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SOLAR ENERGY PRODUCTION

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

- (a) the quantum of solar energy being produced in the country at present;
- (b) the names of top three solar energy producing States;
- (c) whether the subsidy is being provided by Government for setting up solar power plants for housing and agriculture; and
- (d) the details of the number of people who have been provided subsidy, along with the subsidy amount during the last two years?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF NEW & RENEWABLE ENERGY AND POWER

(SHRI R.K. SINGH)

- (a) As per Central Electricity Authority, 72924.49 MU of solar energy has been generated in the country in the current financial year as on 31.12.2022.
- (b) Rajasthan (25120.22 MU), Karnataka (9983.65 MU) and Gujarat (7210.67 MU) are top three solar energy producing States in the Country for the current financial year as on 31.12.2022.
- (c)&(d) Presently, Ministry of New and Renewable Energy is providing subsidy for setting up solar power plants for housing and agriculture sector under Rooftop Solar Programme Ph-II and Pradhan Mantri Urja Suraksha evam Utthaan Mahabhiyaan (PM-KUSUM) Scheme respectively. Both the schemes were launched in March 2019. More than 88732 farmers were benefitted and an amount of Rs. 562.47 Crore was released during last two years under the PM-KUSUM scheme. Similarly, around 2.8 lakh residential consumers were benefitted and an amount of Rs. 1280.3 Crore was released during last two years under Rooftop Solar Programme Phase-II.
