## GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF NEW AND RENEWABLE ENERGY

### RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1099

ANSWERED ON 12/12/2023

#### PROMOTION OF RENEWABLE ENERGY BY DISCOMS

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Will the Minister of New and Renewable Energy be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government is encouraging DISCOMs to promote rooftop solar and increase its adoption;
- (b) if so, the details of the steps taken in this regard;
- (c) whether there are any special financing mechanisms or low-interest loans available for DISCOMs to invest in rooftop solar infrastructure;
- (d) If so; the details thereof; and
- (e) whether Government has taken steps to raise public awareness about the benefits of rooftop solar, and how DISCOMs are involved in these awareness campaigns?

#### **ANSWER**

# THE MINISTER OF NEW & RENEWABLE ENERGY AND POWER (SHRI R.K. SINGH)

(a) to (d) Government is implementing Rooftop Solar (RTS) Programme Phase-II for increasing deployment of rooftop solar in the country. The DISCOMs have been designated as the implementing agencies under the program.

DISCOMs are being encouraged to promote rooftop solar installations through achievement linked incentives for the incremental rooftop solar capacity added in their operating area under the RTS Programme. So far, Ministry of New and Renewable Energy has released Rs 908.1 Crores as an incentive to various DISCOMs. These incentives are being provided to enable the DISCOMs to create an enabling ecosystem for expeditious implementation of RTS projects in their area. The tasks to be taken in this regard include but not be limited to providing dedicated manpower for RTS implementation, rooftop assessment, bid process management to empanel system integrators along with rates, technical studies, up gradation in ERP system/components, providing time bound services to RTS consumers, inspection and online monitoring of RTS plants, online database management of commissioned capacity, consumer awareness and publicity, ensuring availability of net-meters, providing grid connectivity, capacity building of its officers/staff etc. The incentives released to various DISCOMs state-wise is attached as annexure.

(e) Several States/UTs are undertaking extensive IEC campaigns for promotion of rooftop solar in their areas.

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## Annexure referred to in part (a) to (d) of Rajya Sabha Unstarred Question No. 1099 for 12.12.2023 regarding "Promotion of renewable energy by DISCOMs"

Total incentives released under Phase-II of Rooftop Solar Program as on 30.11.2023

S. No.	State/UTs	Total incentives released under Phase-II Programme (In crores)
1	Andaman & Nicobar	0.0
2	Andhra Pradesh	5.6
3	Arunachal Pradesh	0.0
4	Assam	4.9
5	Bihar	3.3
6	Chandigarh	0.7
7	Chhattisgarh	4.5
8	DNH ⅅ	0.0
9	Goa	0.0
10	Gujarat	499.3
11	Haryana	9.8
12	Himachal Pradesh	3.5
13	J& K	0.0
14	Jharkhand	3.0
15	Karnataka	12.1
16	Kerala	22.6
17	Ladakh	0.0
18	Lakshadweep	0.0
19	Madhya Pradesh	16.2
20	Maharashtra	100.9
21	Manipur	0.0
22	Meghalaya	0.0
23	Mizoram	0.2
24	Nagaland	0.0
25	Delhi	13.5
26	Odisha	0.6
27	Puducherry	0.0
28	Punjab	34.3
29	Rajasthan	101.5
30	Sikkim	0.0
31	Tamil Nadu	20.5
32	Telangana	34.4
33	Tripura	0.0
34	Uttarakhand	0.0
35	Uttar Pradesh	6.2
36	West Bengal	10.2
	Total	908.1