

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF NEW AND RENEWABLE ENERGY  
**RAJYA SABHA**  
**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2063**  
ANSWERED ON 10.03.2026

**EMPOWERMENT OF EX-SERVICE MEN IN SOLAR ENERGY SECTOR**

2063. MS. INDU BALA GOSWAMI

WILL THE MINISTER OF NEW AND RENEWABLE ENERGY BE PLEASED TO STATE:

- (a) whether there is any plan to empower ex-servicemen as entrepreneurs in the solar energy sector under the Pradhan Mantri Kisan Urja Suraksha evam Utthaan Mahabhiyaan (PM-KUSUM) scheme;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether any arrangement has been made to provide training to ex-servicemen in the field of solar energy; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

**ANSWER**

**THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR NEW & RENEWABLE ENERGY AND POWER  
(SHRI SHRIPAD YESSO NAIK)**

(a) & (b) The Component A of PM KUSUM scheme allows setting up of 10,000 MW of decentralized Ground/ Stilt mounted grid connected solar power plants by the farmers on their land. Thus, any farmer, including ex-servicemen, can opt for installation of solar power plant up to 2 MW, either himself or through developer.

(c) & (d) The Ministry from time to time carries out capacity building and training programs in the field of solar energy, for all farmers, including ex-servicemen.

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