

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF NEW AND RENEWABLE ENERGY
LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 923
TO BE ANSWERED ON 21.12.2017

REPLACEMENT OF DIESEL PUMP SETS WITH SOLAR POWERED PUMPS

923. SHRIMATI RAKSHATAI KHADSE:

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

- (a): whether the Government proposes to replace the diesel pump sets used by the farmers with solar powered pumps to promote the use of stand-alone off-grid solar pumps in the country; and
- (b): if so, the details of schemes being implemented/proposed to be implemented for the said purpose?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR POWER AND NEW & RENEWABLE ENERGY (I/C)
(SHRI R.K. SINGH)

(a) & (b): The Government is encouraging replacement of diesel pumps with solar powered pumps in the country through Off-grid and Decentralized Solar PV Applications programme. Central financial assistance up to 30% of the benchmark cost of the solar powered pumps is provided for the pump capacity up to 5 HP. So far, installation of 1.42 lakh solar pumps has been supported by the Government.
