GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF FINANCE DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE

LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.2307

TO BE ANSWERED ON FRIDAY THE 9TH MARCH, 2018 PHALGUNA 18, 1939 (SAKA)

GST ON SOLAR EQUIPMENTS

2307. SHRI GUTHA SUKENDER REDDY:

Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has received any representation from the Solar Equipment manufacturers regarding levy of Goods and Services Tax (GST) at a concessional rate of five per cent on the solar equipment and if so, the details thereof:
- (b) whether the Government has taken any decision on the said demand; and
- (c) if so, the details thereof including the stand of the Government in this regard?

<u>ANSWER</u>

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI SHIV PRATAP SHUKLA)

(a), (b) and (c): Representations received from various stake holders of solar sector have been considered and based on the recommendations of the GST Council, 5% concessional GST rate has been prescribed for Solar water heater & system and the following renewable energy plants / devices & parts for their manufacture, falling under chapters 84, 85 or 94, namely,-

- i. Solar power based devices;
- ii. Solar power generating system;
- iii. Solar lantern / solar lamp; and
- iv. Photo voltaic cells, whether or not assembled in modules or made up into panels
