

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF NEW AND RENEWABLE ENERGY
LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO-6378
TO BE ANSWERED ON-05.04.2018
SOLAR COOPERATION

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

- (a) whether the Government has taken any world-wide initiative for cooperation in the field of solar energy;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) if not, the reasons therefor and the time by which this initiative is likely to be taken by the Government?

ANSWER

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

(a) to (c) The Paris Declaration on International Solar Alliance (ISA), inter-alia, supported India's proposal to launch International Solar Alliance as a common platform for cooperation among solar resource rich countries lying either fully or partially between the Tropics of Cancer and Capricorn, and intended to make joint efforts for mobilizing more than US \$ 1000 billion of investments needed by 2030 for massive deployment of solar energy.

Out of 121 prospective member countries that lie either fully or partially between the Tropics of Cancer and Capricorn, 61 countries have signed the Framework Agreement of the ISA. On 11 March 2018, the Prime Minister of India and the President of France co-hosted the Founding Conference of the ISA. Forty eight countries, including India participated in this conference.
