

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS**

**LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2304  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 26.12.2018**

**USE OF SOLAR ENERGY**

**†2304. DR. BANSHILAL MAHATO:**

**Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to State:**

- (a) whether the Government proposes to provide electricity to all railway stations of the country through solar system;**
- (b) if so, the details thereof;**
- (c) the State-wise details of funds allocated under this scheme including Chhattisgarh; and**
- (d) the time by which the said scheme is likely to be completed?**

**ANSWER**

**MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS**

**(SHRI RAJEN GOHAIN)**

**(a) to (d) No Madam. Indian Railways presently does not have plans to provide electricity to all Railway Stations of the country through solar system. Indian Railways plans to progressively provide solar generated electricity by providing rooftop solar panels at railway stations which are technically feasible. Indian Railways has plans to provide 500 Mega Watt (MW) rooftop solar plants by 2021 - 22. Most of this work is being done in**

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**PPP mode (Developer Mode) in which Railways does not have to incur capital expenditure. In this mode, tariff based bidding is a deciding criteria for selecting the developer. Hence, no separate funds are allocated for this purpose, across the country including Chhattisgarh.**

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