

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF NEW AND RENEWABLE ENERGY
LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1107
TO BE ANSWERED ON 27.06.2019

SOLAR POWERED BOAT

1107. Sh. Hibi Eden

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

- (a) whether the Government is aware of the fact that the first solar ferry/solar-powered boat has successfully completed two years of operation in the State of Kerala and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether the Government proposes to promote the production of such solar-powered boats;
- (c) if so, the details thereof along with the steps taken thereon;
- (d) whether the Government also proposes to provide any subsidy for the production/purchase of such solar-powered boat; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

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

- (a) Yes Sir. The Solar Ferry/Solar Powered Boat named “ADITYA” has successfully completed two years of operation through State Water Transport, Department in Kerala Inland Waterways. Presently, the vessel is ferrying 22 trips with distance of 2.5km each daily.
- (b) to (e) The Government of India currently, does not have any scheme providing subsidy for the production/purchase of solar powered boats.
