

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF MICRO, SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTIONNO. 4198
TO BE ANSWERED ON 18.07.2019

MISSION SOLAR CHARKHA

4198. SHRI NAYAB SINGH:

Will the Minister of MICRO, SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES be pleased to state:

- (a) the current status of implementation of Mission Solar Charkha;
- (b) the number of people who have been benefited there from across the country so far;
- (c) the number of such beneficiaries in Haryana especially in Kurukshetra district;
- (d) whether the Government proposes to take new steps to connect more people to this scheme at present; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof and the steps taken by the Government in this regard?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF MICRO, SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES
(SHRI NITIN GADKARI)

(a) to (c): Ministry of MSME has launched the Mission Solar Charkha for implementation of 50 Solar Charkha Clusters across the country with a budget of Rs. 550 crore for the year 2018-19 and 2019-20. The scheme is envisaged to generate direct employment to nearly one lakh persons. Solar Charkha Units have been classified as Village Industries.

The scheme is being implemented by Khadi and Village Industries Commission (KVIC), Mumbai. A total of 36 proposals have been shortlisted by KVIC from the proposals submitted by Promoters Agencies and they have been asked to submit Detailed Project Reports (DPRs).

(d)&(e): Ministry of MSME and KVIC have been making all efforts to make the scheme popular through taking it up with State Governments. The Expression of Interest has been published twice on National newspapers to solicit responses from interested parties.