

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF NEW AND RENEWABLE ENERGY  
**LOK SABHA**  
**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2603**  
ANSWERED ON 22.12.2022

**DIESEL FREE FARM SECTOR**

2603. SHRI B.B. PATIL

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

- (a) whether the Government proposes to make farm sector in the country diesel-free by 2024;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government has prepared any action plan at the national level to achieve this target;
- (d) if so, the details thereof;
- (e) whether the Government also has any plan for the use of renewable energy in fishing sector to replace the use of kerosene; and
- (f) if so, the details thereof?

**ANSWER**

**THE MINISTER OF NEW & RENEWABLE ENERGY AND POWER**

**(SHRI R.K. SINGH)**

(a) to (d) The Ministry of New and Renewable Energy (MNRE) is implementing Pradhan Mantri Kisan Urja Suraksha evam Utthaan Mahabhiyaan (PM-KUSUM) scheme which inter-alia provides for replacement of diesel operated irrigation pumps with standalone solar pumps. Under the scheme it is targeted to install 20 lakh standalone pumps by 31.3.2026. The scheme is demand driven and capacities are allocated to the States based on demand received from them.

(e) & (f) Ministry of Fisheries, Animal Husbandry and Dairying is implementing Pradhan Mantri Matsya Sampada Yojana (PMMSY) for promotion and overall development of Fisheries sector in the country. PMMSY also envisages use of renewable energy in fisheries sector to replace the use of hydrocarbons.

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