

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF NEW AND RENEWABLE ENERGY  
**LOK SABHA**  
**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 806**

TO BE ANSWERED ON 21.11. 2019

**PORTABLE SOLAR POWERED COLD STORAGE UNITS**

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

- (a) the details of portable solar powered cold storage units that have been installed and functioning under new and renewable energy schemes, State/UTwise;
- (b) whether enough steps have been undertaken by the Government to ensure that farmers have awareness and access to the said devices;
- (c) if so, the details thereof;
- (d) whether any impact study of the same have been undertaken by the Government; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof?

**ANSWER**

THE MINISTER OF STATE (I/C) FOR NEW & RENEWABLE ENERGY, POWER and MoS  
for SKILL DEVELOPMENT AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP

(SHRI R. K. SINGH)

(a) to (c) The Ministry of New & Renewable Energy (MNRE) does not have any specific scheme/programme for installation of portable solar powered cold storage units. However, under Mission for Integrated Development of Horticulture (MIDH) of the Ministry of Agriculture and Farmer Welfare (MoAFW), few pilot projects have been done in the State of Tripura with technical support from National Institute of Solar Energy (NISE), Gurugram an Autonomous Institution of MNRE. Details of pilot projects are given in **Annexure**.

The Ministry of Agriculture and Farmer Welfare has been requested for inclusion for solar cold storage developed by NISE under their Mission for Integrated Development of Horticulture (MIDH).

(d) & (e) No Sir, all installations are at pilot scale and commissioned during the current year.

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**Annexure**

**ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (A) to (C) OF LOK SABHA  
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**DETAILS OF PILOT PROJECTS FOR SOLAR COLD STORAGE UNITS**

<b>S.No</b>	<b>Site Details</b>	<b>Beneficiary</b>	<b>Capacity</b>	<b>Financial Support/Scheme</b>
1	Horticulture Research Complex, Nagicherra, Agartala, Tripura	Directorate of Horticulture & Soil Conservation Department of Agriculture Govt. of Tripura	6 MT	MIDH Scheme
2	Bilashcherra Kamalpur, District Dhalai, Tripura		6 MT	MIDH Scheme
3	Krishak Bandhu Center, Udaipur, District Gomati, Tripura		6 MT	MIDH Scheme