# GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF NEW AND RENEWABLE ENERGY

# LOK SABHA

## **UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2407**

TO BE ANSWERED ON 05.03.2020

### **SOLAR CITY**

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

- (a) whether the proposal to convert Shirdi City of Maharashtra into a solar city has been approved by the Union Government;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the status of the said proposal?

### **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 and Renewable Energy had given 'in-principle' approval for developing Shirdi as solar city under the scheme "Development of Solar Cities" in 2011 and released grant for preparation of Master Plan with few Detailed Project Reports. However, these projects were not taken up by Shirdi Administration as Shirdi Nagarpanchayat was unable to arrange the beneficiary share of Rs. 2.50 crore as per the guidelines of the scheme.

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