

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF NEW AND RENEWABLE ENERGY  
**LOK SABHA**  
**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 4287**  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 19.03.2020

**DECLINE IN SOLAR ENERGY INSTALLATION**

4287. SHRI SUDHAKAR TUKARAM SHRANGARE

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

- (a) whether the rate of solar energy installation has been declining in the recent past;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor; and
- (c) the corrective steps taken by the Government to boost solar energy production in the country?

**ANSWER**

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

(SHRI R.K. SINGH)

(a) &(b) A solar capacity of 6884.68 MW has been added from April, 2019 to Feb. 2020 as against 6529.20 MW during the same period of last financial year.

(c) The Government has taken various steps to catalyze development and deployment of solar energy in the country. These, inter-alia, include the following:

- (i) Announcement of a target of installing 100 GW of solar energy capacity by December, 2022.
- (ii) Waiver of Inter State Transmission System (ISTS) charges and losses for inter-state sale of solar and wind power for projects to be commissioned up to December, 2022.
- (iii) Permitting Foreign Direct Investment (FDI) up to 100 percent under the automatic route.
- (iv) Notification of standard bidding guidelines to enable distribution licensees to procure solar and wind power at competitive rates in cost effective and transparent manner.
- (v) Declaration of trajectory for Renewable Purchase Obligation (RPO) up to year 2022.
- (vi) Implementation of Green Energy Corridor project to facilitate grid interaction of large scale renewable energy capacity addition.
- (vii) Notification of quality standards for deployment of solar photovoltaic system/devices.
- (viii) Launch of new schemes like Pradhan Mantri Kisan Urja Suraksha Evam Utthan Mahabhayan (PM-KUSUM), 12000 MW CPSU Scheme (Phase II) and Solar Rooftop (Phase II) program.

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