## GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

# LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 599 TO BE ANSWERED ON 16.09.2020

#### SOLAR AND WIND POWER SYSTEM

#### **599. SHRI E.T. MOHAMMED BASHEER:**

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) the steps taken by the Government to implement the solar and wind power system in Indian Railways; and
- (b) the target envisaged for the same and the estimated cost, Zone wise?

#### ANSWER

### MINISTER OF RAILWAYS AND COMMERCE & INDUSTRY

# (SHRI PIYUSH GOYAL)

(a) and (b): Steps taken by the Government to implement Solar Power plants and Wind power plants on Indian Railways (IR), inter-alia, are as follows:

- 1. 102.8 Mega Watt (MW) rooftop solar plants commissioned.
- **2. 4.7 MW land based solar plants commissioned.**
- 3. Land based solar power plant of 50 MW at Bhilai (Chhattisgarh) and 2 MW at Diwana (Haryana) are under execution. The plant at Diwana will be commissioned in September, 2020.
- 4. To further proliferate solar plants, IR plans to install solar plants of 20 GW capacity by 2030 by utilizing its vacant land. In this regard, to begin with, bids for 3 GW solar plants on vacant railway land parcels and land parcels along the railway track have already been invited. IR plans to provide these solar plants by March, 2023.
- 5. 103.4 MW of Wind Mill Plants have been commissioned.

Most of the works are being done on Developer mode by private partners, in which Railways do not have to incur capital expenditure.