GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3643 TO BE ANSWERED ON 17.03.2021

SOLAR ENERGY PROJECTS

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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to State:

- (a) whether the Government contemplates to establish Solar-energy projects on its unused land;
- (b) if so, the State-wise details thereof including Madhya Pradesh;
- (c) the details of any proposal received from any multinational company and the progress made so far in this regard; and
- (d) the time limit fixed by the Government for completion of this project?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF RAILWAYS, COMMERCE & INDUSTRY AND CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD & PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION

(SHRI PIYUSH GOYAL)

- (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. Indian Railways (IR) has planned for installation of solar energy projects on unused vacant Railway land. State-wise details where action has been taken for installation of Solar electricity projects on unused vacant Railway land are as follows:
 - i) Chhattisgarh 50 Mega Watt (MW) at Bhilai.
 - ii) Uttar Pradesh 3 MW at Modern Coach Factory, Raebareli.
 - iii) Haryana 2 MW at Diwana (near Panipat).
 - iv) Madhya Pradesh 1.7 MW at Bina.

Further, IR has planned to set up 20 Giga Watt (GW) of solar energy projects on unused vacant Railway land by 2030. To begin with, it is planned to set up 3 GW of solar energy projects on IR's unused land.

- (c) There is no such proposal from any Multinational Company.
- (d) The timeline for setting up of solar plants would depend upon the individual plant capacity and location of the project.
