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SURYAMITRA MOBILE APP

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

- (a) whether the Government has launched or proposes to launch “Suryamitra” mobile app and if so, the facilities being provided to the people through this app;
- (b) the number of people who have used this app so far;
- (c) the number of employment opportunities generated for youths through this app; and
- (d) the details of fees being charged for the services provided on the app and the amount of fees recovered so far for the service?

ANSWER

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

(SHRI R.K. SINGH)

(a) Ministry of New and Renewable Energy is implementing the Suryamitra Skill Development Programme through National Institute of Solar Energy (NISE), an autonomous organization under the Ministry.

In June 2016, NISE launched a GPS based Suryamitra Mobile Application on a pilot basis to connect trained Suryamitras to those who need services like installation, operation and maintenance of solar equipment such as solar rooftop systems, solar water heating systems etc. The Mobile Application was discontinued in October 2017 because it was not found useful.

- (b) 2084 individuals used the App.
- (c) 2837 service requests were registered by 2084 individuals but only 99 requests were responded to by the trained Suryamitras.
- (d) The App was free of cost for the end users as well as for the trained Suryamitras.
