

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 488
TO BE ANSWERED ON 01.12.2021**

SOLAR ENERGY PROJECTS ON UNUSED LAND

488. SHRIMATI POONAMBEN MAADAM:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is considering establishment of solar energy projects on its unused land;**
- (b) if so, the details of location, State-wise, including Gujarat; and**
- (c) the details of time line to begin and complete projects in Gujarat?**

ANSWER

**MINISTER OF RAILWAYS, COMMUNICATIONS AND ELECTRONICS &
INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY**

(SHRI ASHWINI VAISHNAW)

(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.**
- v) Maharashtra- 15 MW Buttibori (Nagpur).**

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Further, IR is planning to install solar energy projects on its unused land in various States including Gujarat based on techno-economic feasibility.

(c) The timeline for setting up of solar plants would depend upon the individual plant capacity and location of the project.
