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RENEWABLE ENERGY SUPPLY IN RURAL AREAS

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

- (a) the objectives of the policy framework for distributed renewable energy;
- (b) whether this new framework would enable access to renewable energy supply in rural areas;
- (c) if so, the details thereof;
- (d) the amount invested in distributed renewable energy currently;
- (e) whether this amount is sufficient in light of transitioning to renewables; and
- (f) if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF NEW & RENEWABLE ENERGY AND POWER

(SHRI R.K. SINGH)

(a) to (c) The main objective of the Framework for the Promotion of Decentralized Renewable Energy (DRE) Livelihood Applications issued by the Ministry of New and Renewable Energy (MNRE) on 14.02.2022 is to facilitate development of an enabling ecosystem for widespread access to DRE for promoting sustainable livelihoods in the country including in rural areas.

(d) to (f) For distributed renewable energy, the Pradhan Mantri Kisan Urja Suraksha evam Utthaan Mahabhiyan (PM-KUSUM) and Rooftop Solar Programme Ph-II are the two major schemes under implementation since 2019-20. A total of Rs. 2045.96 Cr has been released by MNRE as central financial support for these schemes till date. Sufficient provisions for central financial support have been made to achieve the targets stipulated under these schemes.
