

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF NEW AND RENEWABLE ENERGY
LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2783
TO BE ANSWERED ON 06.08.2015

BOOST IN SOLAR POWER

2783. SHRI SHIVKUMAR UDASI:

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

- (a) whether it is a fact that Norway is assisting India in boosting solar power in the country;
- (b) if so, whether Norway proposes to cover maximum villages under rural electrification with wind energy and if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the status of rural electrification under solar system in Karnataka; and
- (d) the action plan to exploit solar power potential in Karnataka?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR POWER, COAL & NEW AND RENEWABLE ENERGY (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) (SHRI PIYUSH GOYAL)

- (a):** Norway had assisted for installing mini grids based on solar photovoltaic plants in 28 villages in Uttar Pradesh, Madhya Pradesh, Jharkhand and Jammu & Kashmir to provide power to the villages.
- (b):** No madam, there is no proposal received for rural electrification with the support of Norway.
- (c):** 30 villages and hamlets have been electrified under Remote Village Electrification (RVE) programme of the Ministry of New and Renewable Energy.
- (d):** The Ministry provides Central Finance Assistance under various schemes and programme to exploit Solar Power in the country including Karnataka.
