## GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF NEW AND RENEWABLE ENERGY

# LOK SABHA

# **UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 744**

TO BE ANSWERED ON 03.12.2015

### SOLAR SYSTEMS IN ODISHA

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

- (a) the number of villages including tribal and economically backward villages under Solar Light System in Odisha;
- (b) the criteria fixed to implement Solar Light System in the villages; and
- (c) the expenditure incurred on Solar Light System in Odisha during the last three years?

### **ANSWER**

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

- (a): As informed by Odisha Renewable Energy Development Agency, a total of 1663 villages including tribal and economically backward villages have been covered under Solar Light System in Odisha.
- **(b):** The criteria fixed to implement Solar Light System in the villages is as follows:
- 1. All census unelectrified villages and their hamlets not covered under Rajiv Gandhi Grameen Vidyutikaran Yojana.
- 2. Unelectrified hamlets of the electrified census villages having population above 100 but less than 300 and which have not been covered for grid connection under RGGVY.
- **(c):** Expenditure incurred on Solar Light Systems in Odisha during the last three years is as follows:

2012-13- Rs. 15.71 Crores

2013-14- Rs. 14.49 Crores

2014-15- Rs. 1.13 Crores