GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2589 TO BE ANSWERED ON 02.08.2016

COP-21 Resolutions

2589. SHRI OM BIRLA:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE be pleased to state:

- (a) the steps taken by the Government for Implementing COP-21 resolutions in the country;
- (b) the details of funds allocated/ sanctioned for mitigating climate change, State-wise including Rajasthan; and
- (c) whether the Government is aware that despite ground breaking research carried out by Indian Institutes, the lack of proper awareness has led to other nations taking credit for such research?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) FOR ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

(SHRI ANIL MADHAV DAVE)

(a) The twenty-first Conference of the Parties (COP-21) adopted a universally legally binding Paris Agreement for addressing climate change that pertains to the post-2020 period. The modalities, procedures and guidelines for various mechanisms and instruments under the Paris Agreement are being negotiated under the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate change (UNFCCC). The government has undertaken consultations with the relevant Ministries to finalize the programmes and measures for implementing the Intended Nationally Determined Contributions announced before COP 21.

(b) India has set renewable power deployment target of 175 GW by the year 2022, which includes 100 GW from solar and 60 GW from wind energy. Various missions like the National solar Mission, National Mission on Enhanced Energy Efficiency and National Mission for Sustainable Habitat have been launched to undertake mitigation activities. Under the scheme for development of Solar parks and Ultra Mega Solar Power Projects Solar Parks with Capacity of 20000 MW has been sanctioned in 21 states including 3351 MW in Rajasthan.

In line with the recommendation of the XIIIth Finance Commission, the Ministry of Finance has released an incentive grant of Rs 815.39 crore to the State Government of Rajasthan for development of renewable energy in the State.

The objectives of National Mission on sustainable habitat are being achieved through implementation of various programmes of Ministry like Swachh Bharat Mission' (SBM), Atal Mission for Rejuvenation and Urban Transformation (AMRUT), Smart cities and National Heritage City Development and Augmentation Yojana (HRIDAY) etc.

(c) National Mission on Strategic Knowledge for Climate Change is implemented by the Department of Science and Technology, Government of India. The mission is aimed at promoting research and technology development and funding for high quality and focused research on climate change. India has also joined the "Mission Innovation", a global collaborative effort to accelerate clean energy innovation with the objective to make clean energy affordable.

Government regularly engages with the international scientific research institutions including multilateral bodies such as Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC) to highlight its scientific research and contributions to the body of scientific knowledge on climate change. India's contributions in such fora have been well recognized.