## GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF NEW AND RENEWABLE ENERGY LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 738 TO BE ANSWERED ON 21.07.2016

## **Ocean Energy**

## 738. Shri DHARAM VIRA

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

a) whether the Government has taken any steps to make ocean energy, especially tidal energy, more feasible in terms of cost and technology;

b) if so, the details thereof; and

c) the steps taken/being taken by the Government to ensure that marine biodiversity is not hampered owing to ocean energy generation?

## ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE FOR POWER, COAL , NEW & RENEWABLE ENERGY & MINES (SHRI PIYUSH GOYAL)

(a)&(b): The National Clean Energy Fund (NCEF) is specially created to cater innovative projects under clean energy. Secondly, the Ministry of New & Renewable Energy (MNRE) supports the promotion of Research, Design & Development for projects including ocean/tidal energy also through financial incentives.

(c): The MNRE follows the steps as per guidelines of Ministry of Environment and Forest & Climate Change on the subject to ensure that marine biodiversity is not hampered owing to ocean energy generation.

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