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Press Release

Chandigarh, March 12:- The Chandigarh Administration has chalked out an action plan for promoting the use of renewable energy in the city. Disclosing this here today UT Finance Secretary, Mr. Sanjay Kumar said that under the implementation of Special Area Demonstration Project Scheme various prestigious buildings like Raj Bhawan, State Assembly premises, Secretariats of States and UTs, Institutions like school, medical colleges including hospitals shall be covered in different categories for the demonstration and renewal energy system.

Under the scheme Grid Interactive Solar Voltage Power Plant (GISVPP) will be installed in the buildings. In order to implement the said scheme, a plan has been conceived to initiate the work of GISVPP in Punjab Raj Bhawan, Haryana Raj Bhawan, Vidhan Sabha Building, UT Secretariat and Punjab & Haryana Secretariat. The cost for procurement and installation of system and devices along with the annual maintenance for five years will cost Rs. 100 lacs for each building. Central Financial Assistance of full 100 lacs will be granted from Ministry of New and Renewable Energy for implementing the scheme in both Raj Bhawans. However, for executing the scheme in Vidhan Sabha Building, UT Secretariat and Punjab and Haryana Secretariat financial Assistance of Rs. 50 lacs, Rs. 25 lacs and Rs. 25 lacs respectively will be given, while rest of the amount will be incurred by the Department itself.

In addition to it, financial grant of another 1 lac for each building will be given for preparation of the Detail Project Report. Mr. Surinder Pal, Chief Engineer averred that for executing the proposed scheme by the Department of Science & Technology all government buildings including Raj Bhawan, UT Guest House including government houses shall be compulsorily providing Solar Water Heating System. In conjunction to it provision for Solar Photovoltaic Energy Programme shall be initiated by installing solar powered lights in new upcoming sites, whereas any replacement in the existing outdoor lighting will be made by Solar Powered Lights. Further, all conventional incandescent lamps will be replaced by CFL under the Bachan Lamp Yojana.

The use of renewable energy is gaining ground in the country and Chandigarh Administration will make every effort to keep the city at the forefront of the same and explore possibilities for similar installations in the other upcoming buildings such as Pariavaran Bhawan, Super Deluxe (Intelligent) Building etc.

