



One Lakh Solar Pumps will be Set up in Rajasthan

Why in News?

- On June 22, 2022, Chief Secretary of Rajasthan Usha Sharma instructed to install 1 lakh solar pumps under the scheme in a review meeting on Solar Agriculture Livelihood Scheme (Sky) under Prime Minister Kusum-Component-C (Feeder Level Solarization).

Key Points

- The Chief Secretary also directed to increase the proposed strength of 33/11 kV GSS beyond 80 to ensure implementation of the scheme.
- In the meeting, Principal Secretary, Department of Energy, Bhaskar Atmaram Sawant said that for the successful implementation of the proposed sky scheme, a portal will be launched soon, through which farmers will be able to register and lease their land for up to 25 years to set up gss.
- He said that through the online portal, interested developers will also be able to select the land and construct solar power plants. A work award of 4.24 MW has been awarded under a pilot project in Tonk, under which 656 farmers will get solar energy.
- The key features of the Sky Scheme are-
 - The farmer will be given attractive lease money for the land.
 - 80,000 per hectare per hectare on land up to Rs.8 lakh (as per DLC rate) to farmers.
 - Lease rent upto Rs.1 lakh 60 thousand per hectare on land above Rs.20 lakh.
 - 5% increase in lease rentals every two years.

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