



Plan to Install Solar Plates on the Banks of Californias Approved

Why In News?

Chief Minister on October 29, 2023 While approving the plan of installing solar plates on the banks of canals, Nitish Kumar gave instructions to implement it at a rapid pace.

Key Points:

- This scheme is to be implemented by the electricity company through BREDA. The plan to install grid-connected solar panels along the canals is a priority of the government.
- For the plan of installing a large number of solar plates in a row along the canals, the Water Resources Department has provided its No Objection Certificate to the power company for all the canals of the state.
- Now the power company will not need to take any separate permission for the work of installing solar panels on the banks of different canals.
- The power company had planned to launch its scheme of installing grid-connected solar plates along the canals in the Bikram area of Patna Canal. This was meant as a pilot project.
- It took seven to eight months to obtain inter-departmental approval for this project. After this, the Water Resources Department has given approval to the power company with the condition that it should leave the path of vehicles going to clean the canals and carry out its work. After this permission, the work on the pilot project proceeded.
- The power company has gotten a DPR from a Gujarat company on the feasibility of this project. This model has been quite successful in Gujarat. The problem of land for installation of solar panels has been solved due to availability of straight land on the banks of the canal.



