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To

1. The Chief Secretary,
Government of Gujarat,
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2. The Chairman,
Gujarat Energy Development Agency (GEDA),
4th floor, Block No. 11 & 12, Udyog Bhavan,
Sector -11, Gandhinagar,
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Sub: Tour Report of Shri Harshadbhai Chunilal Vasava to visit Gujarat Energy Development Agency, Gujarat on 10.08.2017 to 14.08.2017.

Sir,

I-am directed to enclose a copy of Tour Report dated 10/08/2017 to 14/08/2017 pertains to Gujarat Energy Development Agency, Gujarat of Shri Harshadbhai Chunilal Vasava, Hon'ble Member, NCST on the subject mentioned above for necessary action.

It is requested that reply / Action Taken Report on the Tour Report may be furnished to this Commission at the earliest.

Enclosure: as above.

Yours faithfully,

(Rajeshwar Kumar)
Assistant Director

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**Field Visit/ Tour Report of Hon'ble Member Shri Harshadbhai Vasava, NCST to
the State of Gujarat from 10.08.2017 to 14.08.2017**

F. No. Tour/20/Member (HCV)/2017

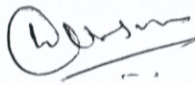
1.	Name of the visiting Dignitary	Shri Harshadbhai Vasava
2.	Date of Visit/ Tour	10.08.2017 to 14.08.2017
3.	Places visited	Gujarat Energy Development Agency (GEDA), Gujarat
4.	Key Persons/ officials/ Organisations met.	Chairman, Director and other Senior Officers of Gujarat Energy Development Agency (GEDA)
5.	Key Highlights of the visit (Major issues discussed during tour/ visit)	

Meeting with the Gujarat Energy Development Agency (GEDA) on 11.08.2017



Hon'ble Member Shri Harshadbhai Vasava, National Commission for Scheduled Tribes visited Gujarat Energy Development Agency (GEDA) office on 11.08.2017 to discuss various points of renewable energy related to Scheduled Tribes.

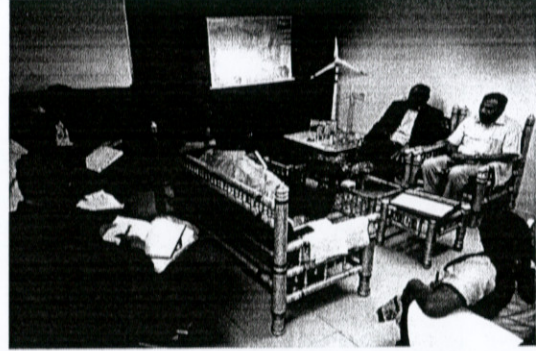
Chairman and Director, GEDA welcomed Hon'ble Member. During the meeting Director GEDA has provided the information of targets and achievements of GEDA in various schemes in last two years and position of backlog in SC/ ST category.


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Director, GEDA informed that at present, lot of emphasis has been given to solar/ wind power. Central Govt. has target of installation of one lakh MW solar power up to 2022 out of which, target of Gujarat is 8000 MW. MNRE provides subsidy in 3 category of solar power projects i.e. Residential/ Commercial/ Industrial. About 30% subsidy is being provided by MNRE to see "GHER GHER SOLAR POWER"

Gujarat is the first State to provide subsidy of Rs. 10000/- per KW maximum to Rs. 20,000/- in Residential Solar Rooftop System. The State Govt. also has taken various steps to popularize the Residential Solar Roof Top System. GEDA has organised the programme at Baroda where Hon'ble Chief Minister was invited to distribute the battery cheques of Solar Roof Top systems to the beneficiaries and also to distribute the Battery Operated Vehicles to the ultimate beneficiaries. During the programme, Hon'ble Chief Minister has announced an additional grant of Rs. 10.00 crores more for the project of Residential solar top systems. GEDA has also empanelled 112 channel partners for installation of the residential solar roof top system in Gujarat.



The programme of Solar Power Projects was initiated in 2010-11 and till date, total 1266 MW solar power capacity projects have been installed in Gujarat.

In case of Wind Power Projects, the total 5314 MW capacity projects have been installed in Gujarat and in the year 2016-17, maximum number of wind power projects of 1392 MW have been installed in Gujarat. Thus, the State Govt. is giving emphasis to solar and wind power.

GEDA has installed solar Water Heater System in almost all schools hostels and Engineering colleges hostels in tribal areas with 100% subsidy. In this scheme, the criteria of turn key project has been adopted where along with the system, the piping till bathrooms are also being provided so that with opening of tap, students can gets hot water. In the year 2016-17, total 23 tribal hostels (school hostel/ engineering college hostels) were covered with a capacity of 61500 LPD of solar water heaters and in the current year 2017-18, we are planning to cover 71 hostels

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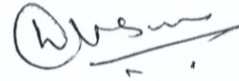
with a capacity of 380000 LPD of schools hostels and engineering colleges hostels/ Adarsha Niwasi Shala/ Aklavya Model residential School/ Low Literacy Residential Schools for girls in Tribal areas. Hon'ble Member suggested that in the second spell, the private school in the tribal areas may also be considered.

The State Govt. is also providing subsidy of Rs. 10,000/- to the students for Battery Operated Two wheeler vehicles in major cities of the State i.e. Ahmedabad, Rajkot, Surat, Vadodara and Gandhinagar. Here also, the preference is being given to SC/ ST candidates. Hon'ble Member suggested that he will emphasis on Central Govt. to provide BOV Trolley at Railway Stations and E-Rickshaws and E-Buses in the city.

The MNRE is also providing subsidy in Solar Water Pumps. The solar water pumps are being installed by various DISCOMs in Gujarat. In 2014-15, 165 nos. of solar water pumps were provided to SC/ST beneficiaries and 1280 in the year 2016-17. This is about 32% of the total pumps provided to various beneficiaries in Gujarat.

Chairman, GEDA suggested to visit Tundi village in Anand District where Grid Connected solar pumps have been installed by forming Co-operative Society. GEDA is also installing improved crematoria in various Gram Panchayats which also includes Tribal areas at a minor contribution of Rs. 1000/- per crematoria.

While discussing staff structure, it was noticed that many post are vacant and the work is being carried on by giving charge to few staff. The appointment of all the staff have been made before 1990-91 and thereafter, no direct recruitment was done due to non approval of Recruitment Rules by State Govt. At present, there is a backlog of 2 posts in Schedule Tribes one each in cadre of Assistant Project Executive and Junior Technical Officer. Once the Recruitment Rules are approved by State Govt., the procedure for filling up the post by direct recruitment will be completed wherein the backlog will be cleared.



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