

## Rajasthan ranks second in rooftop solar

## Why In News?

On April 6, 2022, Additional Chief Secretary Energy and Chairman, Rajasthan Dr. Subodh Agrawal told in the review meeting of the officers of Renewable Energy Corporation that according to the report released by the Central Government on February 22, Rajasthan has been second after Gujarat in the implementation of rooftop solar scheme.

## **Key Points**

- It is worth mentioning that Rajasthan is already on the first rank in solar energy by developing 10 GW solar power capacity. Rajasthan continues to be a leading state in the implementation of **Kusum Yojana** to install solar systems on barren land.
- Dr. Agrawal informed that 748 MW capacity has been developed in the state in rooftop solar.
  Rooftop solar scheme has been implemented in a planned manner by Renewable Energy
  Corporation of India.
- To make the rooftop solar scheme more simple, now instead of the state portal, registration can be done on the national portal. Similarly, for installation of rooftop systems, now MNRE empaneled vendors will have the facility to install the system at their own level.
- Initially the beneficiary himself will have to bear the cost of installing a rooftop solar system and then the grant amount will be released directly to the beneficiary.
- Along with this, under the new simplified system, the beneficiary will be free to set up a government empaneled vendor or the system of their own choice. There will be no compulsion on the beneficiary to install any Mac specific system or vendor specific system.

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