

Home » Green Building / LEED/ BEE » Kochi gets ready to wear 'solar city' tag

KOCHI GETS READY TO WEAR 'SOLAR CITY' TAG

August 7, 2013 in Green Building / LEED/ BEE, Solar-Offgrid Leave a comment

According to reports, Kochi is taking the first step towards its journey to become a solar city under a programme of Ministry of New and Renewable Energy (MNRE). Kochi Corporation has initiated measures to prepare a detailed project report (DPR) on the scheme.

The services of ICLEI , an international agency involved in supporting local governments to identify solutions to governance including energy management, will be engaged for making the DPR, K.J. Sohan, Standing Committee Chairman, Town Planning, told *The Hindu*. He said the agency had been involved in similar projects in other cities. A solar city cell has already been constituted as required under the MNRE scheme, he said. The Kochi Mayor was not available for comments.

The scheme was floated about two years ago and several cities had already been enrolled. Kochi and Thiruvananthapuram were in the MNRE's list of 48 cities which were given in-principle approval out of 60 cities chosen initially. A top official of ANERT (Agency for Non-Conventional Energy and Rural Technology), the nodal agency for MNRE in Kerala, said the Thiruvananthapuram corporation authorities had not shown much interest in the scheme. Kochi was not given a place in the first stage of MNRE scheme, in which 31 cities were given sanction. The city is being considered in the second phase, according to Mr.Sohan.Project's aim

The programme to develop Solar Cities is aimed at providing support to urban local bodies to utilise renewable energy with a view to reduce overall energy consumption. The project targets 10 per cent reduction in the use of conventional energy within five years through a holistic approach of adopting energy efficient measures and supply of more renewable energy. The programme envisages promotion of solar water heating systems in domestic and commercial buildings; deployment of solar photovoltaic systems for demonstration; establishment of shops for sale of solar energy products; use of urban and industrial waste management for energy generation. Making a framework to prepare a master plan on future energy demand, involving various stakeholders in the planning process, is part of the programme. A total of 60 cities or towns were selected initially to implement the programme.

Aid under the programme includes a sum upto Rs.10 lakh for preparation of a master plan along with detailed project report; upto Rs. 10 lakh for setting up of Solar City Cell and it's functioning for a period of three years; upto Rs.10 lakh for overseeing of implementation during these three years; upto Rs. 20 lakh for capacity building and other promotional activities to be utilized in three years.

8+1 0

• Sti

Share 1

Solar pumps for potable water in

Next:

Naxalite areas

>>

Related News:

- Kochi going slow on solar city project
- Kochi corporation urged to hasten solar city programme
- Thiruvananthapuram Solar City Project Stuck

Supreme Infra Bags Rs.40 crore from

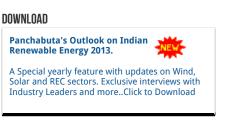
Punjab Energy Development Agency

Kochi to be Tagged 'Solar City' Soon

Tweet 0

Crucial Kochi meeting on Solar City Project next week

Like < 0



CLICK HERE TO SUBSCRIBE TO

OUR NEWSLETTER

SEARCH

Search for:	
Search	

MOST READ NEWS

Solar power plant technology available at Rs 3.5 crore/MW: GERMI A model biogas plant in Bangalore that produces 320 units of power a day Tamil Nadu to provide 80% subsidy to solar powered irrigation pump sets How a Solar Crisis was Averted by Three Ministers Uttar Pradesh government subsidy to villages using solar power Hareon Solar China partners with Nereus Capital to develop 150 MW solar assets in India over two years Chennai Solar Company to light up homes with unique business model Scheme to allow farmers to set up solar power plants launched in Karnataka Goyal stays clear of issue of anti-dumping levy on solar gear Fate of solar projects hangs in balance; anti-

LATEST NEWS

MORE NEWS ON 'GREEN BUILDING / LEED/ BEE' CII unit to give big push to construction of green buildings

dumping duty may hold key

DERC to notify tariff for green power next week

Smart Cities will make India manufacturing hub for energy efficient solutions

Piyush Goyal to launch three energy efficient initiatives

Delhi LG reviews progress of solar projects

MORE NEWS ON 'SOLAR-OFFGRID'

Previous:

SHARE !

Your email address will not be published. Required fields are marked * Name *

Email	*		

Website

Post Comment

India's Punjab Approves Solar Net-Metering After Delhi

Jain Irrigation launches solar-powered micro irrigation system

L&T commissions 7.52 MW solar rooftop project in Punjab

Scheme to allow farmers to set up solar power plants launched in Karnataka

Delhi LG reviews progress of solar projects

CALENDAR

	August 2013					
М	т	W	т	F	S	S
			1	2	3	4
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30	31	
« Jul						Sep »

ARCHIVES

Select Month ▼

ABOUT

Indian belief associates the origin of life with the five basic elements (Pancha – five, Buta – Element) of Wind, Water, Fire, Earth and Space (ether). In Sanskrit, these elements are referred to as Vayu, Jalam (Apah), Agni, Prithvi and Aakasam.

Panchabuta aims to bring to the global audience, the latest news, articles, features and featured companies in the renewable energy and clean tech area in India.

Read more...

OUR TWEETS

Tweets	Follow
Panchabuta @panchabuta	49m
#Suzlon Energy drops amid volatility buff.ly/1tHXPSm #Wind #India	
Panchabuta @panchabuta	2h
Tata Power #Solar to supply modules for project buff.ly/1wbZnoI #India Expand	or 10 MW
Panchabuta	3h
Tweet to @panchabuta	

FACEBOOK



Panchabuta | All Rights Reserved 2013