

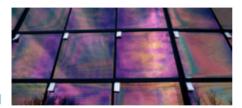
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PTI reported that the debate on anti dumping duty on solar power equipment from specified companies in China, Taiwan, the US and Malaysia is heating up as allegations and counter allegations by domestic and foreign manufacturers of solar panels play out in public. Mr Piyush Goyal, Minister of State (Independent Charge) for Power, Coal and New and Renewable Energy, has said that India is not ready for this duty due to the lack of manufacturing capacity.



However, as determination of anti-dumping duty is done through standard guidelines put forth by the WTO, the recommendations of the Ministry of New and Renewable Energy may not influence the final decision taken by the Ministry of Finance.

According to Indian Solar Manufacturers Association, meanwhile, local manufacturers are already working to ramp up manufacturing capacity by 300 MW following the announcement of anti-dumping duty recommendations by the Ministry of Commerce. The association, which represents 25 domestic manufacturers including TATA Solar Power Systems, Moser Baer and others, also said that only 975 MW of solar power projects are pending which could easily be served by domestic manufacturers. read more →