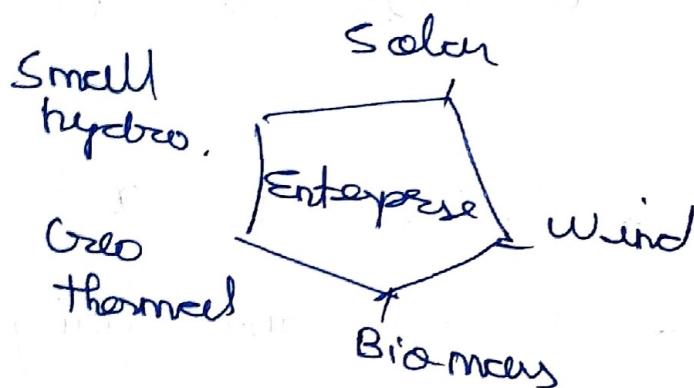


What do you know by distributed RE? Examine the potential of DRE in supporting growth of small business & sector in rural India.

Distributed Renewable Energy (DRE)

is the generation of electricity through the renewable sources which are produced at the point of use



The DRE can be modular and energy can be produced in a localized manner which can serve rural and underserved areas.

The DRE can be a useful for microenterprises present in the rural region.

Issues faced by rural enterprises

The electricity supply has been

the main factor of under performing of several enterprises. Followed by power theft and voltage fluctuation, caused many enterprises to shut down.

Power prices have also gone up in some states and the power utilisability is taken under greater to conserve water.

Given these factors, the distributed utilisability can be a game changer.

Supporting growth

The localised solar power plant/wind mill can be of use to several food processing industries in our drying, cold storage among others.

It will result de-dieselisation of farm pumps and can greatly reduce the power costs to the ~~est~~ businesses.

The power produced not only supports food processing and agriculture but also several textile industries such as cotton and Jute. As per World Bank's Enterprise survey more than 55% of industries reported power issues.

Challenges

- Cost - the cost of installation and investment in the service and high
- lack of off-takers
- limited financing as the technology is itself at an nascent stage.

Future Governments must ensure convergence of decentralised power with usherry such as Mudra Yojana, formalisation of micro food processing enterprises as it can upscale the uptake of missions. The distributed renewable energy system has the potential to achieve net zero target and overall electrical self sufficiency.