LARGE-SCALE DISSEMINATION OF SOLAR WATER HEATERS IN KARNATAKA

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Involvement of all Stake-holders

- Government of Karnataka
- KPTCL
- KPCL
- KREDL
- SWH Manufacturers
- Consumers

Importance of Solar Water Heaters

- To reduce morning peak load
- To avoid load shedding
- To enable peak-power tariffs
- To reduce government subsidies

To Manage Karnataka's Peak Shortage Effectively

- Importance of Large-scale Manufacture and Dissemination
- SWHs must acquire the status of "white goods" and undergo significant cost reductions

Regulation-assisted Markets

- Dissemination must be customerdriven
- Cost-reflective electricity prices are crucial to encourage efficient use of electricity
- Regulatory commission will have to play a key role in setting prices

Administrative Measures (DOE)

- to promote large-scale dissemination of SWHs in Karnataka and reduce the water-heating peak load on the electrical system
- to bring together all the relevant stakeholders for this promotion
- to catalyse the implementation of all the associated measures by the relevant agencies

Administrative Measures (DOE)

• A Technical Committee (with representation from KASMA, IEI, etc.) to be set up with the responsibility of ensuring performance standards in the large-scale dissemination process.

Enabling Measures

- Grid Code/Electricity Supply Regulations (KPTCL)
- Publicity (DOE, Key Drivers)
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