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#### **ABSTRACT**

While cremation is an established Hindu ritual practice since ancient times and the **Hindu religion permits the cremation of dead body in day-time only, there is much more scope of solar crematorium in this ritual; as solar power is also available in day-time only**.

Between 500 and 600 kg of wood are used to cremate a dead body. Many trees are felled to meet this requirement. As a result we are significantly contributing in global warming and polluting the atmospheric air much more. Therefore today, the world is moving towards the sustainable energy sources which are renewable and biodegradable in nature. One of most sustainable energy source is sunlight that too is inexhaustible and available free of cost. The heat (energy) produced is very clean with no pollutants. So above environmental problems can be the addressed very well by using solar crematorium. Therefore **anyone can be a firm believer of world powered by solar energy**.

Since the sunlight has very little part, only 20% of its energy as lighting effect and large portion, 80% as thermal effect, So energy of solar radiation can be utilized more in solar thermal power generation than in solar photo-voltaic (which utilizes only lighting effect of sunlight) for power generation. In this report, the most recent developments are described to build a Solar Crematorium in India. A special scheffler reflector has been designed for this purpose. Its speciality is a flexible surface curvature and simultaneously a non-moving focal area.

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## **NOMENCLATURES**

:	Area
:	Aperture Area
:	Receiver/Absorber Area
:	Commission For Additional Sources Of Energy
:	Central Electricity Authority
:	Concentration Ratio
:	Optical Concentration Ratio
:	Centre for Science and Environment
:	Direct Normal Irradiance
:	Irradiance
:	Total Energy
:	Diffuse Solar Irradiance
:	Global Solar Irradiance
:	Energy Information Administration
:	Reflected Solar Irradiance
:	Foreign Direct Investment
:	Foreign Investment Implementation Authority
:	Foreign Investment Promotion Board
:	Gujarat Energy Development Agency
:	Gujarat Energy Development Agency
:	Gujarat Energy Research & Management Institute
:	Global Horizontal Irradiance
:	Radiant Exposure

I	:	Radiant Intensity
ICNEER	:	International Center for Networking, Ecology, Education & Reintegration
IEA	:	Reintegration International Energy Agency
IREDA	:	Indian Renewable Energy Development Agency
IRENA	:	International Renewable Energy Agency
JNNSM	:	Jawaharlal Nehru National Solar Mission
JREDA	:	Jharkhand Renewable Energy Development Agency
К	:	Kelvin Temperature
kwh	:	Kilo Watt Hour
L	:	Radiance
Μ	:	Radiant Exitance
MNES	:	Ministry For Non-Conventional Energy Sources
MNRE	:	Ministry of New And Renewable Energy
mtoe	:	Million Tonnes of Oil Equivalent
MW	:	Mega Watt
Р	:	Power
Q	:	Radiant Energy
RBI	:	Reserve Bank Of India
RE	:	Renewable Energy
RET	:	Renewable Energy Technologies
S	:	Direct Solar Irradiance
So	:	Solar Constant
SOP	:	Standard Operation Procedure
UNDP	:	United Nations Development Programmes
α	:	Absorptance
3	:	Emittance

- θ : Angle of Incidence
- ρ : Reflectance
- T : Transmittance
- Φ : Radiant Flux Density