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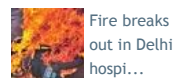
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The numerous power outages in the city has led to a serious re-think of the power policy by the state government and an assessment of alternative sources of generating power. The pact between Andhra Pradesh and Gujarat in the power sector paved way for the first Solar Power Professional Workshop was inaugurated on Monday at Paryatak Bhavan, Greenland. The Gujarat Energy Research and Management Institute (GERMI) in association with NREDCAP (New and Renewable Energy Development Corporation in Andhra Pradesh) and Titan Energy Systems will conduct a six-day comprehensive workshop on solar photovoltaic design, technology and application, project finance and economics as well as field visits in order to cut-down on consumption of energy generated by non-renewable sources.

The participants at the workshop include senior administrators and decision makers from Andhra Pradesh employed in private and public sectors, photovoltaic designers and project engineers, entrepreneurs in the field of solar energy and stakeholders from banking, accounting and architecture sectors. The 30 participants will be introduced to photovoltaic installations and systems, project management, project policies, industry standard software, PV (photo voltaic) manufacturing and testing. The field visit during the workshop includes the tour of a Mega-Watt scale PV power plant operation and orientation on maintenance and troubleshooting. Team experts from GERMI will assist the participants and conduct guest lectures.

GERMI has been the centre for development of technology related to solar power and trains students from schools as well engineering colleges to install solar panel for domestic use. It has come up with a project to promote solar power adaptation in Hyderabad through this training workshop. "This is our first workshop outside Gujarat and we have picked up Hyderabad as it is my home town," says Dr. T. Hari Narayana, director of GERMI.

The NREDCAP head office has also installed solar photo-volatic plates which support the lighting needs of the office. There are 111 municipalities working under NREDCAP to use wind and solar energy in

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The workshop ends on May 25.

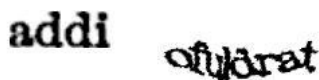
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