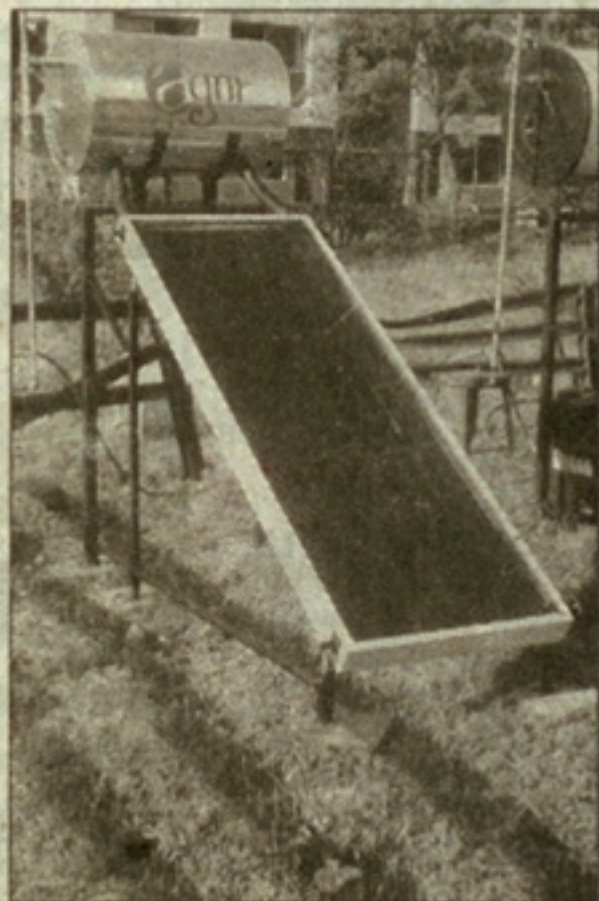


Mini solar heater

■ CITY-BASED Agni Solar Systems launched a new mini solar water heater on the occasion of World Environment Day.

Rayi Pittie, director, Agni Solar Pvt Ltd, said that it's the first of its kind in the country where a special mini model has been launched for domestic purposes targeting small and medium house-



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holds. The water heater will be available in three sizes of 50, 75 and 100 litres with prices ranging from Rs 9,000 to 13,000, Pittie added.

While elaborating the features of the model Pittie said that the Agni Solar Water Heating System was made as per ISI norms. The new model has an electrical back-up facility to heat water in the rainy

season.

The state-of-the-art flat plate solar collector in the system is made of an all aluminum body and toughened glass sheet on the top, the copper plate, which is the heart of the solar collector is selectively coated for maximum performance. The storage tank is well insulated so that the stored water does not lose heat energy.

Agni solar has taken up the matter with the Ministry of Non Conventional Energy Sources to include this new product in the soft loan scheme, under which finance is provided at a subsidised interest rate of five per cent.