

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
POWER
LOK SABHA**

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AGGREGATE TECHNICAL AND COMMERCIAL LOSSES
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Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government proposes to reduce the Aggregate Technical and Commercial losses of the power distribution companies by 15 per cent;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether some States in the country have already made achievements in this regard; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof, State-wise?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) OF THE MINISTRY OF POWER (SHRI JYOTIRADITYA M. SCINDIA)

(a) & (b): Yes, Madam. With the aim to reduce the AT&C losses up to 15% in the country and improvement in power distribution sector, Government of India has launched the Restructured-Accelerated Power Development and Reforms Programme (R-APDRP) in July 2008. The focus of R-APDRP is on actual demonstrable performance by utilities in terms of sustained AT&C loss reduction.

Projects under the scheme are taken up in two parts in towns having population more than 30,000 (10,000 for special category States) as per census 2001. Part-A of the scheme is for establishing IT enabled system for energy accounting / auditing, customer care, computerized billing & collection etc. and Supervisory Control and Data Acquisition (SCADA) for big cities (population:4 lacs and Annual Energy Input: 350 MU) whereas Part-B is for up- gradation, augmentation & strengthening of electrical infrastructure in projects towns.

So far, under R-APDRP, projects worth Rs.33832.17 Crores (Part-A: Rs.6713.08 Crores covering 1401 towns and 65 SCADA projects in 65 towns; Part-B: Rs.27119.09 Crores in 1134 towns) have been sanctioned.

(c) & (d): R-APDRP Scheme is still under implementation and as on 31.03.2013, 306 towns have been integrated with data center under Part-A of the Scheme. Initial assessment indicate reduction of AT&C losses on an average 6 to 7% in these towns. It is expected that on successful completion of the scheme, the AT&C losses is likely to be reduced to the extent of 15% in the project areas. As per PFC's report, AT&C losses at national level has been reduced from 36.64% in 2002-03 to 26.15% in 2010-11. State-wise details are placed at Annex.