

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
POWER
LOK SABHA**

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ELECTRICITY DEMANDS OF CITIES INDUSTRIES
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Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

- (a) whether most of the power generated in the country is used for electricity demands of cities and big industries due to which the Government fails to provide electricity to meet the needs of rural areas and small scale industries and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether the Government proposes to ensure that the large-scale public and private industries generate power from their own captive power plants to meet their requirements and do not depend on public sector power companies and if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government is also likely to ensure that those public and private industries besides providing compensation to farmers for acquiring their land would also provide them electricity at Government rates from their captive power plants and the details thereof;
- (d) whether the Government is likely to provide special concession or incentive to the private and public sector industries for captive power generation and minimize their dependence on the Government; and
- (e) if so, the time by which this scheme is likely to be implemented?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) FOR POWER, COAL AND NEW & RENEWABLE ENERGY (SHRI PIYUSH GOYAL)

(a): The power generated in the country is mainly consumed in various categories of consumers such as Domestic, Industry and Agriculture. As per the information supplied by States / UTs, for the year 2012-13, 22% consumption was in domestic sector, 6% in Low Tension (LT) industries, 39% in High Tension (HT) industries, 18% in Agriculture and remaining for other categories of consumers. The 18% of electricity consumed in Agriculture category is primarily in rural areas. The 6% electricity consumed in LT Industries is primarily for meeting requirement of small scale industries.

The distribution of electricity to various consumers including rural areas falls under the purview of the respective State Government/State Power Utility and it is the responsibility of distribution licensees to provide reliable & quality power supply to all consumers in their area of operation including rural areas and small scale industries. The supply of electricity to Urban area, rural area and industries etc. is decided by the utilities based on the availability and demand of the state.

(b) to (e): There is no such proposal under the consideration of the Government.