GOVERNMENT OF INDIA POWER LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2043 ANSWERED ON:27.07.2017 Electrification of Villages

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Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

- (a) whether there has been a remarkable progress in electrification of rural areas in the country during the last three years;
- (b) the number of villages electrified in the country and the number of them still to be electrified and the time by which all the villages are proposed to be electrified in the country, State-wise;
- (c) whether some States are lagging behind in implementation of Deen Dayal Upadhyaya Gram Jyoti Yojana, if so, the details thereof including the targets set and achieved in terms of electrification of villages and electricity connection to BPL families along with reasons for not achieving the targets, State/UT-wise;
- (d) the details of proposals received from State Governments during Twelfth Plan Period and the decisions taken by the Union Government thereon, State/ UT-wise;
- (e) whether such complaints have been received by the Government wherein villages have been shown as electrified but actually those villages have not been electrified or the work of electrification is incomplete and if so, the action taken by the Government thereon; and
- (f) the details of the transformers installed in various States including Uttar Pradesh to provide electricity connectivity to the left out villages/areas during the last three years and the current year, State/UT-wise?

Answer

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

(SHRI PIYUSH GOYAL)

- (a): Progress of rural electrification under Deen Dayal Upadhyaya Gram Jyoti Yojana (DDUGJY) in the country during the last three years, is as under:
- SI. No. Year Un-electrified villages electrified Free electricity connections to BPL households (in lakh)

1 2014-15 1,405 7.59

2 2015-16 7,108 14,39

3 2016-17 6,015 22.42

- (b): As reported by the States, there were 18,452 un-electrified census villages in the country on 01.04.2015; of these, 13,872 villages have been electrified and 962 villages were found un-inhabited up to 30.06.2017. The remaining villages are targeted for electrification by 1st May, 2018. The State-wise details are at Annexure-I.
- (c): Under DDUGJY, most of the targets for electrification of villages have been achieved except in some of the States due to delay in forest & railway clearances, land acquisition for 33/11 KV sub-stations, Right of Way (RoW) issues, providing BPL lists, law & order issues including naxal problem and difficult terrain. The State-wise target and achievement for electrification of villages and release of free electricity connections to BPL households during last three years, are given at Annexure-II and III respectively.
- (d): During XII Plan Period under DDUGJY, total 4345 new proposals were submitted by the various States and all of them have been sanctioned by the Monitoring Committee, Government of India. The State-wise details are given at Annexure-IV.
- (e) : The information regarding electrification of villages is provided by the respective State Government/DISCOMs. A village is notified as electrified by respective State Government. However, no complaint has been received by the Ministry of Power wherein villages have been shown as electrified but actually not electrified or the work of electrification is incomplete.
- (f) : As on 30.06.2017, cumulatively, 16,875 transformers have been installed in various States including Uttar Pradesh to provide electricity connectivity to the left out villages / areas during the last three years and current year. The State-wise details are at Annexure-V.
