GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF POWER

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.805 TO BE ANSWERED ON 07.02.2019

ELECTRIFICATION UNDER SAUBHAGYA

†805. SHRI RAM KUMAR SHARMA:

Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has implemented Pradhan Mantri Sahaj Bijli Har Ghar Yojana (Saubhagya) in previous years to connect all the villages with electricity, if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether the target had been fixed to connect villages with electricity under the above said scheme for December 2018;
- (c) if so, the details of targets that have been achieved and the facts thereof; and
- (d) whether the definition made for electrification of village to make available power to villages is that the entire village be considered electrified after 10% households are provided with electricity connection, if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

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

(SHRI R. K. SINGH)

- (a): Government of India launched Pradhan Mantri Sahaj Bijli Har Ghar Yojana Saubhagya on 11th October, 2017 with the objective to achieve universal household electrification by providing electricity connections to all remaining un-electrified households in rural and all poor households in urban areas by March, 2019. In the country, 2.48 crore households have been electrified since 11.10.2017.
- (b) & (c): As reported by States, all the inhabited census villages in the country stand electrified as on 28^{th} April, 2018.
- (d): Pradhan Mantri Sahaj Bijli Har Ghar Yojana Saubhagya envisages electrifying all remaining un-electrified households in the country by 31st March, 2019.
