

Coverage of non-electrified villages under DDUGJY

†3021. SHRI NARAYAN RANE: Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

- (a) total number of non-electrified villages to be included under Deen Dayal Upadhyaya Gram Jyoti Yojana (DDUGJY);
- (b) the number of families living below poverty line that are being included under DDUGJY;
- (c) the total number of projects under DDUGJY for non-electrified villages; and
- (d) total cost of projects under DDUGJY?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF POWER (SHRI RAJ KUMAR SINGH): (a) and (b) As reported by the States, all the inhabited census villages across the country were electrified, as on 28.04.2018. Under Deen Dayal Upadhyaya Gram Jyoti Yojana (DDUGJY), including RE component, free electricity connections to 3.21 crore Below Poverty Line (BPL) households, have been cumulatively released up to 30.11.2018.

(c) Under DDUGJY, total of 4,505 new projects were sanctioned for the States and UTs, covering various rural electrification works including electrification of un-electrified villages.

(d) For rural electrification works across the country Government of India have sanctioned projects under DDUGJY with the project cost of ₹42,676.67 crore. In addition, ongoing projects with an outlay of ₹32,860 crore has been subsumed as RE Component under DDUGJY.

Measures to address increased power demand

†3022. SHRI REWATI RAMAN SINGH: Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that huge growth has been registered in the demand of electricity in the country during the last three years;
- (b) if so, extent of increase in demand of electricity from different States of the country, especially in Uttar Pradesh;