

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF NEW AND RENEWABLE ENERGY
RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3581
TO BE ANSWERED ON 03.04.2017
SOLAR STREET LIGHTS UNDER ATAL JYOTI YOJANA

3581. SHRI T.G. VENKATESH:

Will the Minister of NEW AND RENEWABLE ENERGY be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government has taken a decision to provide solar street lights across the country under the Atal Jyoti Yojana and if so, the details thereof; and
- (b) whether it is a fact that Government has requested all Members of Parliament to use a part of their MPLAD funds for providing solar street lights in their respective constituencies and if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

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

(a): Ministry of New and Renewable Energy (MNRE) is implementing LED based Solar Street Lights under Atal Jyoti Yojana in the States, namely, Uttar Pradesh, Bihar, Odisha and Assam where the household electrification is less than 50% as per Census 2011.

(b): Yes Sir. Under the scheme, Central Financial Assistance of 75% of the project cost is available. The balance 25% of the project cost is to be borne through contribution by village panchayat, Urban Local Bodies or MPLADS funds. Accordingly, MNRE circulated copy of the Scheme to State Nodal Agencies, District Authorities and Hon'ble Members of Parliament of the above mentioned States. Ministry of Statistics and Programme Implementation has also written to District Authorities for wide publicity of the scheme.
