GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF POWER

RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.84 TO BE ANSWERED ON 17.07.2017

TARGETS UNDER DDUGJY

84. SHRI NARAYAN LAL PANCHARIYA:

Will the Minister of **POWER** be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of the targets set for Rajasthan under the Deen Dayal Upadhyaya Gram Jyoti Yojana (DDUGJY);
- (b) how much amount Government proposes to spend on electrification in rural areas, especially in Rajasthan, during the current fiscal year;
- (c) whether any specific assistance is provided to BPL households in rural areas for electrification; and
- (d) how many households are likely to benefit from the scheme during the current year and how many of them will be below the poverty line?

ANSWER

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

(SHRI PIYUSH GOYAL)

(a): The targets set for Rajasthan during the financial year 2017-18 under Deen Dayal Upadhyaya Gram Jyoti Yojana (DDUGJY), are as under:

Electrification of un-electrified village (UEV) - One
Intensive Electrification of villages - 5,996.
Free Electricity connection to BPL HHs - 85,686

- (b): There is no upfront allocation of funds to any State/District under DDUGJY. Funds are released against sanctioned projects in installments based on the reported utilisation of amount in the previous installment(s) and fulfillment of other conditionalities as per DDUGJY guidelines. However, Government of India has allocated budgetary support of Rs.4814 crore for the year 2017-18 for DDUGJY projects in the country.
- (c) & (d): Under DDUGJY, access to electricity is provided to all the rural households and free electricity service connection is provided to all eligible Below Power Line (BPL) households in the country. Under the scheme, free electricity service connections to 40 lakh BPL Households are targeted in the country during the financial year 2017-18.
