

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF POWER

RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.1750
ANSWERED ON 04.08.2025

IMPLEMENTATION OF RDSS IN ANDHRA PRADESH

1750 SHRI SANA SATHISH BABU:

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

- (a) the total amount of funds sanctioned, released, and utilised under the Revamped Distribution Sector Scheme (RDSS) for the State of Andhra Pradesh, and particularly in Kakinada district since its inception;
- (b) the key components and works approved under RDSS in the State of Andhra Pradesh, including feeder segregation, smart metering, and infrastructure upgrades;
- (c) whether any targets have been set for Aggregate Technical & Commercial (AT&C) loss reduction and reliability improvements in State of Andhra Pradesh under RDSS, and the progress made so far;
- (d) the steps taken to ensure timely implementation and capacity building of DISCOMs in State of Andhra Pradesh, and whether any delays or challenges have been reported?

A N S W E R

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER

(SHRI SHRIPAD NAIK)

(a) : Under Revamped Distribution Sector Scheme (RDSS), distribution infrastructure works, including smart metering works, amounting to Rs. 14,838 Cr. (Government Budgetary Support (GBS): Rs. 7,241 Cr.) have been sanctioned for the State of Andhra Pradesh out of which GBS of Rs 1,572 Cr has been released/ utilized till date. For the district of Kakinada, loss reduction works amounting to Rs. 217 Cr. (GBS: Rs. 130 Cr.) have been sanctioned out of which GBS of Rs 18 Cr has been released/ utilized till date.

(b) : Key component of works approved under RDSS in the State of Andhra Pradesh are:

- i. Smart metering works for consumer, Distribution Transformer (DT) and feeder.
- ii. Loss reduction works: Feeder segregation, feeder bifurcation, replacement of old/frayed conductor, disaster resilient works, IT/OT works and household electrification works.

(c): DISCOM-wise details of targets set under RDSS for AT&C and reliability metrics for Andhra Pradesh are placed at **Annexure.**

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(d): Monitoring and review of works sanctioned under RDSS is being done by the Nodal Agency and the Ministry of Power on a regular basis. Further, an institutional mechanism at the State level i.e., Distribution Reforms Committee headed by Chief Secretary of the State concerned, and at the Central level i.e., Inter-Ministerial Monitoring Committee headed by Secretary (Power), has been put in place under the RDSS guidelines to review and monitor the implementation of the works sanctioned under the scheme.

Under RDSS, training is being delivered to distribution utilities personnel including those involved in execution of the scheme at field level as per guidelines. Till date, training has been imparted to 1,412 nos. of utility employees of the State of Andhra Pradesh under the scheme.

Initially there were some challenges in the implementation of sanctioned works under the scheme due to delay in administrative approvals such as technical/ financial evaluation, State Government approval, signing of agreements, GTP approval, etc. Ministry of Power and the Nodal Agencies are regularly following up with the States and distribution utilities on the progress of tendering, award and physical progress of sanctioned works and are handholding the utilities in resolving issues, if any. As a result, the works have started picking up pace.

ANNEXURE

ANNEXURE REFERRED IN REPLY TO PART (c) OF UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1750 ANSWERED IN THE RAJYA SABHA ON 04.08.2025

DISCOM-wise details of targets set under RDSS for AT&C

DISCOM	Parameter	FY 2021-22		FY 2022-23		FY 2023-24	
		Target	Achievement	Target	Achievement	Target	Achievement
APEPDCL (East)	AT&C (%)	13.02	7.77	12	5.94	11	10.41
	Average daily hours of supply (Rural) (Hours/Day)*	23:40:15	23:40:28	23:40:30	23:40:40	23:40:45	23:49
	Average daily hours of supply (Urban) (Hours/Day)*	23:53:15	23:54:15	23:53:30	23:53:43	23:53:45	23:58
APCPDCL (Central)	AT&C (%)	16.45	10.03	14.13	10.33	11.54	11.37
	Average daily hours of supply (Rural) (Hours/Day)*	23:40	23:44	23:42	23:48	23:44	23:48
	Average daily hours of supply (Urban) (Hours/Day)*	23:53	23:56	23:54	23:54	23:55	24:00
APSPDCL (South)	AT&C (%)	24.29	13.6	20.01	8.08	15	13.95
	Average daily hours of supply (Rural) (Hours/Day)*	22:35	22:21	22:40	22:43	22:50	23:39
	Average daily hours of supply (Urban) (Hours/Day)*	23:10	23:07	23:20	23:22	23:25	23:49

- Achievement against hours of supply parameters is as per data provided by the State.
