### GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF POWER

# LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.3495 TO BE ANSWERED ON 23.03.2017

#### **AGGREGATE LOSS OF DISCOMS**

#### 3495. SHRI RAM CHARITRA NISHAD:

Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

- (a) the expected unit loss of distribution companies which have joined Ujwal Discom Assurance Yojana (UDAY) during 2019 as compared to 2016;
- (b) whether a rating agency has suggested that aggregate loss of DISCOMS will reduce to 28 paise per unit due to lower than expected reduction in AT&C losses and tariff hikes; and
- (c) if so, the details thereof?

#### ANSWER

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

(SHRI PIYUSH GOYAL)

- (a) : Yes, Madam. Under Ujwal Discom Assurance Yojana (UDAY), participating States/DISCOMs have committed reduction in the Average Cost of Supply (ACS) and Average Revenue Realized (ARR) gaps to zero by the year 2019.
- (b) & (c): UDAY lays specific roadmaps of several interventions of efficiency improvements including feeder metering and monitoring, energy audits, Smart metering and Coal related issues for all participating States/DISCOMs.

Several analysts and rating agencies express their opinion regarding various aspects of UDAY. However, initial results so far are encouraging.

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