### GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF POWER

# LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.1949 TO BE ANSWERED ON 27.07.2017

#### **ELECTRIFICATION OF VILLAGES**

#### 1949. SHRI DIBYENDU ADHIKARI:

Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has electrified more than 700 villages where there is no single habitation;
- (b) if so, the reasons for spending money in villages which have no habitation;
- (c) the expenditure incurred for joining grids with such villages, State/UT-wise; and
- (d) the present status of the 'power to all' project in the country?

#### ANSWER

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

(SHRI PIYUSH GOYAL)

- (a) to (c): As per information provided by the States, there were 18,452 un-electrified villages in the country, as on 01.04.2015; of these, 962 un-electrified census villages have been found un-inhabited as on 30.06.2017 and no electrification work has been carried out in these un-inhabited villages under Deen Dayal Upadhyaya Gram Jyoti Yojana (DDUGJY).
- (d): Government of India has taken joint initiative with all States/UTs for preparation of State specific documents for providing 24x7 power supply to all and adequate supply of power to agricultural consumers. "24x7 Power for All" documents have been signed by all the States and Union Territories in the country.

\*\*\*\*\*