GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF POWER

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.3925 TO BE ANSWERED ON 10.08.2017

ELECTRICITY COVERAGE

3925. SHRI GAURAV GOGOI:

Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Golaghat district ranks 24th out of 27 districts of Assam in terms of electricity coverage at 35.17%, 79 villages in the district have zero percentage electrification and no LEDs have been distributed as on 14th July, 2017 in the district under UJALA scheme and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) the financial outlay for the DDUGJY scheme during 2016-17 and 2017-18 for the district; and
- (c) the plan for distribution of LED in the district during 2017-18?

ANSWER

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

(SHRI PIYUSH GOYAL)

- (a): As reported by the State, in terms of electricity coverage district Golaghat ranks 25th amongst districts of Assam. The UJALA programme in Assam is implemented by Assam Power Distribution Company Limited (APDCL) and as per their input 4830 LED Bulbs have been distributed in the district.
- (b): Under Deen Dayal Upadhyaya Gram Jyoti Yojana (DDUGJY), new projects worth Rs.78.13 crore have been sanctioned for district Golaghat in addition to its RE component of Rs.105.02 crore. 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. However, a subsidy of Rs.155 lakh has been disbursed for district Golaghat, Assam during the year 2016-17.
- (c): Energy Efficiency Services Limited (EESL) has signed an MoU with APDCL for distribution of LED bulbs in Assam. Based on the demand at district level APDCL distributes the LED bulbs.
