GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF POWER

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.6437 TO BE ANSWERED ON 05.04.2018

BACK-END INFRASTRUCTURE COST UNDER SAUBHAGYA

6437. SHRIMATI RITA TARAI:

Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is aware of the fact that the SAUBHAGYA scheme does not provide for any back-end system infrastructure improvement (HT network including 11 KV/33 KV lines, Transformer etc.) whereas the earlier central schemes like RGGVY and DDUGJY scheme provided assistance for this purpose, if so, the details thereof; and
- (b) whether the Government is considering the provision of back-end infrastructure cost under SAUBHAGYA scheme as followed under RGGVY & DDUGJY schemes, if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

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

(SHRI R. K. SINGH)

(a) & (b): Government of India have launched Pradhan Mantri Sahaj Bijli Har Ghar Yojana – Saubhagya with the objective to achieve universal household electrification. Projects have been sanctioned to the States under Deen Dayal Upadhyaya Gram Jyoti Yojana (DDUGJY) including RE component for strengthening electricity infrastructure for village electrification and efficient rural distribution system through feeder segregation, creation of sub-stations of adequate capacity together with 33 KV lines, distribution transformers and 11 KV & LT lines of adequate capacity in each village. Thus DDUGJY provides necessary back-end system infrastructure for Saubhagya. Saubhagya provides for the last mile connectivity and free electricity connections to all households in rural and all poor households in urban areas.
