### GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF POWER

# LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.927 TO BE ANSWERED ON 08.02.2018

#### **CONFIRMATION OF ELECTRIFICATION OF VILLAGES**

#### 927. SHRI R. DHRUVA NARAYANA:

Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

- (a) whether villages have been declared to be electrified, in the GVA reports, prior to a confirmation visit by the GVA representatives;
- (b) if so, the reasons therefor; and
- (c) whether uninhabited villages and forest areas have also been counted as electrified, if so, the reasons therefor?

#### ANSWER

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

(SHRI R. K. SINGH)

- (a) to (c): A village is declared electrified on the basis of report of the respective DISCOM/State Government. Uninhabited villages and forest are not counted as electrified. According to Rural Electrification Policy 2006, a village is declared electrified if:
  - (i) Basic infrastructure such as Distribution Transformer and Distribution Lines are provided in the inhabited locality as well as the Dalit Basti/hamlet, where it exists.
  - (ii) Electricity is provided to public places like schools, Panchayat Office, Health Centres, Dispensaries, Community Centres etc. and
  - (iii) The number of electrified household is atleast 10% of the total number of households in the village."

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