

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF POWER**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.3907
TO BE ANSWERED ON 09.08.2018**

ELECTRIFICATION OF REMAINING VILLAGES

3907. SHRI R. DHRUVA NARAYANA:

**Will the Minister of POWER
be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the Government has the capacity to provide the remaining villages with power by the end of the year, if so, the details thereof; and**
- (b) the steps being taken to provide electricity to the remaining 2.67 crore villages by the end of the year?**

A N S W E R

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

(SHRI R. K. SINGH)

(a) & (b) : As reported by the States, all inhabited census villages in the country stands electrified on 28.04.2018. Further, Government of India have launched Pradhan Mantri Sahaj Bijli Har Ghar Yojana –“Saubhagya” with the objective to achieve universal household electrification by providing last mile connectivity and electricity connections to all households in rural and all poor households in urban areas. All remaining un-electrified households are targeted for electrification by 31st March, 2019. As on 30th June 2018, the installed generation capacity is about 344 Giga Watt (GW) which is more than sufficient to meet the present peak demand of around 170 GW in the country. However, taking into account the future projections of demand, Government of India has set a target of capacity addition of 8106.05 MW for year 2018-19 from conventional sources of energy. The target under renewable energy is for an installed capacity of 175 GW by 2021-22.
