GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF POWER

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.2826 TO BE ANSWERED ON 05.12.2019

ELECTRIFICATION IN RURAL AREAS

†2826. SHRI GOPAL CHINNAYA SHETTY:

Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) whether remarkable progress has been made in the field of electrification in rural areas of the country during the last two and half years;

(b) if so, the comparative details of last years;

(c) the details of progress made in the field of electrification and targets achieved in rural areas of the country during the last three years; and

(d) the details of future plans in this regard?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) FOR POWER, NEW & RENEWABLE ENERGY AND THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR SKILL DEVELOPMENT & ENTREPRENEURSHIP

(SHRI R.K. SINGH)

(a) to (d): As reported by the States, all the inhabited un-electrified census villages stand electrified on 28.04.2018 across the country.

Further, 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 across the country Government of India launched Pradhan Mantri Sahaj Bijli Har Ghar Yojana – "Saubhagya" in October, 2017. All the States reported electrification of all households on Saubhagya portal, as on 31.03.2019, except few households in the LWE affected Bastar region of Chhattisgarh. Since launch of the scheme, 2.628 crore households were electrified up to 31.03.2019 across the country.
