GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF POWER

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.862 TO BE ANSWERED ON 06.02.2020

SAUBHAGYA

862. SHRI NAMA NAGESWARA RAO:

Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Pradhan Mantri Sahaj Bijli Har GharYojana-Saubhagya was able to achieve universal electrification of all households and if so, the details thereof, State-wise;
- (b) if not, the reasons therefor;
- (c) whether the Government proposes for fresh allocation of funds under the said Yojana as many un-electrified households are willing to take electricity connection;
- (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) if not, the measures taken/being taken by the Government to electrify such unelectrified households?

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 (e): Government of India launched Pradhan Mantri Sahaj Bijli Har Ghar Yojana - SAUBHAGYA in October, 2017 to achieve universal household electrification by providing last mile connectivity and electricity connections to all households in rural areas and all poor households in urban areas across the country. All the States reported electrification of all households on Saubhagya portal as on 31st March, 2019 except few households in LWE affected Bastar region of Chhattisgarh.

Subsequently, seven States reported 19.09 lakh un-electrified households which were un-willing earlier, later willing to get electricity connection, identified before 31st March, 2019. The States have been asked to electrify these households under Saubhagya. Out of these, 10,71,336 households have been electrified up to 31st January, 2020.
