

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF POWER
LOK SABHA
STARRED QUESTION NO.172
ANSWERED ON 09.12.2021**

LOSSES TO POWER DISCOMS

***172. SHRI THIRUNAVUKKARASAR SU:
SHRI VIJAYAKUMAR (ALIAS) VIJAY VASANTH:**

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

- (a) whether losses to DISCOMs have increased to the tune of Rs.90,000/- crores over the years;**
- (b) if so, the details thereof during each of the last three years, State-wise;**
- (c) whether any steps are being taken by the Government to assist the power distribution companies to reduce their losses;**
- (d) if so, the details thereof; and**
- (e) if not, the reasons therefor?**

A N S W E R

THE MINISTER OF POWER AND NEW & RENEWABLE ENERGY

(SHRI R.K. SINGH)

(a) to (e) : A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (e) OF STARRED QUESTION NO.172 ANSWERED IN THE LOK SABHA ON 09.12.2021 REGARDING LOSSES TO POWER DISCOMS.

(a) & (b) : As per information made available by Power Finance Corporation (PFC) Ltd., the State/Union Territory-wise details of profit and loss of power distribution companies for the years 2017-18 to 2019-20 are furnished in the Annexure.

(c) to (e) : The Government has taken several steps through interventions of Government Schemes such as Deen Dayal Upadhyaya Gram Jyoti Yojana (DDUGJY) and Integrated Power Development Scheme (IPDS) to help the State DISCOMs reduce AT&C losses, which is one of the major reasons for financial losses. The interventions under these schemes include feeder segregation, Information Technology (IT)/Operational Technology (OT) measures such as SCADA, DMS, ERP and remote monitoring of feeder.

Further, the Central Government has approved a “Revamped Distribution Sector Scheme - A Reforms based and Results linked Scheme” with the objective of improving the quality and reliability of power supply to consumers through a financially sustainable and operationally efficient distribution Sector. The Scheme aims to reduce the AT&C losses to pan-India levels of 12-15% and Average Cost of Supply (ACS) - Average Revenue Realized (ARR) gap to zero by 2024-25. The Scheme has an outlay of Rs.3,03,758 crore. Under the scheme, eligible DISCOMs would be provided financial support for upgradation of the Distribution Infrastructure and Smart Metering Systems for the network as well as prepaid smart metering systems for consumers linked to initiation of reforms and achievement of results. A DISCOM which does not improve as per Action Plan, will not be able to access funds under this Scheme.

Furthermore, based on the recommendations of Fifteenth Finance Commission, Govt. of India have also decided to provide performance based additional borrowing space of 0.50 % of Gross State Domestic Product (GSDP) to the states on certain performance criteria linked to operational efficiency and financial sustainability of DISCOMs.

ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN PARTS (a) & (b) OF THE STATEMENT LAID IN REPLY TO STARRED QUESTION NO. 172 ANSWERED IN THE LOK SABHA ON 09.12.2021 REGARDING LOSSES TO POWER DISCOMS

	2017-18	2018-19	2019-20
	Profit/ (Loss) with Tariff Subsidy received excluding Regulatory Income and UDAY Grant (Rs. in crores)	Profit/ (Loss) with Tariff Subsidy received excluding Regulatory Income and UDAY Grant (Rs. in crores)	Profit/ (Loss) with Tariff Subsidy received excluding Regulatory Income and UDAY Grant (Rs. in crores)
States/UTs Sector	(59,997)	(88,057)	(74,914)
Andaman & Nicobar Islands	(605)	(645)	(678)
Andhra Pradesh	(546)	(16,831)	(813)
Arunachal Pradesh	(429)	(428)	(413)
Assam	(259)	(19)	151
Bihar	(1,872)	(1,845)	(2,944)
Chandigarh	321	54	179
Chhattisgarh	(739)	(1,531)	(611)
Dadra & Nagar Haveli	(12)	14	11
Daman & Diu	324	164	79
Goa	26	(172)	(271)
Gujarat	426	184	411
Haryana	412	281	331
Himachal Pradesh	(44)	132	28
Jammu & Kashmir	(2,999)	(2,902)	(3,460)
Jharkhand	(212)	(751)	(1,711)
Karnataka	(2,439)	(4,889)	(2,501)
Kerala	(784)	(135)	(270)
Lakshadweep	(98)	(109)	(103)
Madhya Pradesh	(5,802)	(10,143)	(5,762)
Maharashtra	(3,927)	1,916	(7,117)
Manipur	(8)	(144)	(168)
Meghalaya	(287)	(203)	(432)
Mizoram	87	(83)	175
Nagaland	(62)	(325)	(488)
Odisha	(792)	(1,539)	(842)
Puducherry	5	(39)	(306)
Punjab	(2,760)	272	(985)
Rajasthan	(11,314)	(12,524)	(12,277)
Sikkim	(29)	(3)	(62)
Tamil Nadu	(12,541)	(17,962)	(19,684)
Telangana	(6,697)	(9,525)	(6,966)
Tripura	28	19	(138)
Uttar Pradesh	(5,269)	(6,367)	(5,089)
Uttarakhand	(229)	(808)	(323)
West Bengal	(871)	(1,171)	(1,867)
Private Sector	1,523	1,357	471
Delhi	109	643	(975)
Gujarat	574	307	612
Maharashtra	-	(96)	283
Uttar Pradesh	182	126	172
West Bengal	658	377	379
Grand Total	(58,474)	(86,700)	(74,443)

Note: Figures in parenthesis indicate losses.
