# GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF POWER

# LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.1553 ANSWERED ON 13.02.2025

#### REVAMPED DISTRIBUTION SECTOR SCHEME

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Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of the Revamped Distribution Sector Scheme (RDSS) and the funds allocated for the said purpose;
- (b) the funds sanctioned for Dhule Parliamentary Constituency of Maharashtra under the said scheme;
- (c) whether it is a fact that the proposal of RDSS scheme has not been approved yet in various States and if so, the reasons therefor;
- (d) the appropriate steps taken/being taken by the Government to strictly implement this scheme in all the areas of the country;
- (e) whether it is a fact that many proposals have been pending with the Government for approval for a long time and if so, the details thereof, constituency-wise along with the number of proposals received and approved by the Government; and
- (f) the details and the manner in which action is likely to be taken against the officers who do not initiate the work on said scheme meant for the farmers of rural areas?

#### ANSWER

#### THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER

(SHRI SHRIPAD NAIK)

- (a): Government of India launched Revamped Distribution Sector Scheme (RDSS) with the objective of improving the quality and reliability of power supply to consumers through a financially sustainable and operationally efficient distribution Sector. The salient features of the scheme are as under:
  - (i) The scheme has an outlay of Rs. 3,03,758 crore and estimated Gross Budgetary Support (GBS) from Central Government of Rs. 97,631 crore.
  - (ii) The scheme aims to reduce the Aggregate Technical and Commercial (AT&C) losses to pan-India levels of 12-15% and the Average Cost of Supply and Average Revenue Realised (ACS-ARR) Gap to zero by the end of the scheme period.

- (iii) The scheme has a duration of 5 years (FY 2021-22 to FY 2025-26).
- (iv) The scheme has two major components:

Part 'A'- Prepaid Smart Metering & System Metering and upgradation of the Distribution Infrastructure

Part 'B' - Training & Capacity Building and other Enabling Activities.

- (v) The State/ UT-wise details of works sanctioned under RDSS is attached as Annexure-I.
- (b): Under RDSS, Distribution Infrastructure works amounting to Rs. 17,209 Cr. have been sanctioned for State of Maharashtra out of which works amounting to Rs. 195 Cr. has been sanctioned for the district of Dhule. This includes works worth Rs. 70.12 Lakh sanctioned for electrification of 165 tribal Households in the Dhule district under Dharti Aaba Janjatiya Gram Utkarsh Abhiyan (DAJGUA).
- (c): The Monitoring Committee of RDSS has approved the proposals for 32 States/UTs (52 Distribution Utilities). The States/UTs of Odisha, Chandigarh, Dadra and Nagar Haveli and Daman & Diu, are not eligible as per scheme guidelines. The UT of Lakshadweep has recently been on boarded and the integrated DPR is being prepared. The State of Karnataka and Telangana are yet to onboard and are required to meet certain compliances.
- (d): The following steps are being taken by GoI to support States in implementation of the Scheme:
  - The progress of works is regularly monitored by nodal agencies and Ministry of Power. High-level review meetings are being conducted with Utilities on a weekly/ bi-weekly basis to identify challenges and ensure accountability.
  - Power Ministers Conferences are held with States for accelerating the pace of works and to address regional disparities in the implementation of work.
  - Review, Planning and Monitoring (RPM) are being organized to facilitate the sharing of best practices and lessons learned from States that are progressing well.
  - Reviews meetings have been done in States for necessary coordination and review of works.
- (e) & (f): The proposals for works under RDSS are submitted by the Distribution Utility based on its assessments and surveys. These proposals are then verified by the Nodal Agency, and those found complete in all aspects are presented to the Monitoring Committee of RDSS for discussion and approval.

Monitoring and review of works sanctioned under RDSS is being done by the Nodal Agency and the Ministry of Power on a regular basis. Further, an institutional mechanism at the State level i.e., Distribution Reforms Committee headed by Chief Secretary of the State concerned, and at the Central level i.e., Inter-Ministerial Monitoring Committee headed by Secretary (Power), has been put in place under the RDSS guidelines to review and monitor the implementation of the works sanctioned under the Scheme.

Administration of State electricity departments is under the purview of the respective State / UT Governments.

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# ANNEXURE REFERRED IN REPLY TO PART (a) OF UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1553 ANSWERED IN THE LOK SABHA ON 13.02.2025

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## State-wise cost of projects sanctioned under RDSS

| States/Discoms    | Sanctioned<br>cost of<br>metering<br>(including<br>PMA)<br>(Rs. Cr.) | Sanctioned<br>LR cost<br>including<br>PMA<br>(Rs. Cr.) | Sanctioned<br>total<br>Outlay<br>(Rs. Cr.) | Sanctioned GBS of Metering Works (including PMA) (Rs. Cr.) | Sanctioned GBS of Infrastructure (Loss Reduction) Works (including PMA) (Rs. Cr.) | Sanctioned GBS with incentives with PMA (Infra +Metering) in Rs Cr. |
|-------------------|--|--|--|--|---|---|
| Andaman & Nicobar |  |  |  |  | (2222 223)  |   |
| Islands           | 54   | 462  | 516  | 12   | 416   | 428   |
| Andhra Pradesh    | 4,128  | 10,687   | 14,814                                     | 815  | 6,412   | 7,227   |
| Arunachal Pradesh | 184  | 1,042  | 1,226                                      | 54   | 938   | 992   |
| Assam             | 4,050  | 3,395  | 7,444                                      | 1,052  | 3,055   | 4,107   |
| Bihar             | 2,021  | 8,406  | 10,427                                     | 412  | 5,044   | 5,456   |
| Chhattisgarh      | 4,105  | 3,964  | 8,070                                      | 804  | 2,379   | 3,183   |
| Delhi             | 13   | 324  | 337  | 2  | 194   | 196   |
| Goa               | 469  | 247  | 716  | 95   | 148   | 243   |
| Gujarat           | 10,642   | 6,089  | 16,731                                     | 1,885  | 3,653   | 5,538   |
| Haryana           | 0  | 6,797  | 6,797                                      | 0  | 4,078   | 4,078   |
| Himachal Pradesh  | 1,788  | 2,327  | 4,115                                      | 466  | 2,094   | 2,560   |
| Jammu & Kashmir   | 1,064  | 4,771  | 5,835                                      | 272  | 4,294   | 4,566   |
| Jharkhand         | 858  | 3,344  | 4,202                                      | 191  | 2,006   | 2,197   |
| Karnataka         | 0  | 34   | 34   | 0  | 21  | 21  |
| Kerala            | 8,231  | 3,011  | 11,243                                     | 1,413  | 1,807   | 3,220   |
| Ladakh            | 0  | 876  | 876  | 0  | 788   | 788   |
| Madhya Pradesh    | 8,911  | 9,384  | 18,295                                     | 1,504  | 5,631   | 7,134   |
| Maharashtra       | 15,215   | 17,209   | 32,424                                     | 2,840  | 10,326  | 13,165  |
| Manipur           | 121  | 615  | 737  | 38   | 554   | 592   |
| Meghalaya         | 310  | 1,232  | 1,542                                      | 86   | 1,109   | 1,195   |
| Mizoram           | 182  | 319  | 500  | 61   | 287   | 348   |
| Nagaland          | 208  | 461  | 668  | 60   | 415   | 474   |
| Puducherry        | 251  | 84   | 335  | 56   | 51  | 107   |
| Punjab            | 5,769  | 3,873  | 9,642                                      | 960  | 2,324   | 3,284   |
| Rajasthan         | 9,715  | 17,427   | 27,142                                     | 1,686  | 10,456  | 12,142  |
| Sikkim            | 97   | 416  | 514  | 30   | 375   | 405   |
| Tamil Nadu        | 19,235   | 9,568  | 28,803                                     | 3,398  | 5,741   | 9,139   |
| Telangana         | 0  | 120  | 120  | 0  | 72  | 72  |
| Tripura           | 319  | 598  | 917  | 80   | 538   | 619   |
| Uttar Pradesh     | 18,956   | 21,612   | 40,568                                     | 3,501  | 12,967  | 16,468  |
| Uttarakhand       | 1,106  | 1,717  | 2,823                                      | 310  | 1,545   | 1,855   |
| West Bengal       | 12,670   | 7,223  | 19,893                                     | 2,089  | 4,334   | 6,423   |
| Grand Total       | 1,30,671   | 1,47,635   | 2,78,306                                   | 24,173   | 94,050  | 1,18,224  |

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