## GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF POWER

# LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.1851 ANSWERED ON 11.12.2025

#### **POWERHOUSE INFRASTRUCTURE IN LAKSHADWEEP**

#### 1851. SHRI MUHAMMED HAMDULLAH SAYEED:

Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is aware of the inadequate and outdated powerhouse infrastructure in various islands of the Union Territory of Lakshadweep which is causing frequent breakdowns and service interruptions and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether any proposals have been received from the Lakshadweep Administration for modernization, upgradation or reconstruction of power houses across the islands;
- (c) if so, the details and current status of such proposals;
- (d) whether the Government is aware of the long-pending demand to shift the existing powerhouse at Amini Island from its current densely populated central location to the eastern side of the island to avoid water pollution and related environmental concerns and if so, the details thereof;
- (e) whether the Government proposes to approve and support the relocation of the Amini powerhouse in the interest of public safety and environmental protection; and
- (f) if so, the time frame proposed for the upgradation of power infrastructure in Lakshadweep including the shifting of the Amini powerhouse?

### ANSWER

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

(SHRI SHRIPAD NAIK)

(a) to (f): As per the information furnished by Department of Electricity, Lakshadweep, the present installed capacity of UT of Lakshadweep is 26.26 MW comprising of 24.56 MW of Diesel Generator (DG) sets and 1.7 MW of Solar Power Plants, whereas a peak demand of 12.76 MW was recorded in Lakshadweep.

Therefore, there is adequate availability of generation capacity in Lakshadweep to meet its power demand.

As informed by the UT of Lakshadweep, action has been initiated by the Department of Electricity, Lakshadweep, to acquire the required land for the installation of Solar Power Plants to meet the power demand of the islands through renewable energy sources. Further, the land area has been identified to shift the existing Amini Power House to a site adjacent to the proposed Solar Power Plant. The upgradation of the power infrastructure in the Lakshadweep islands, including the shifting of the Amini Power House, is likely to be completed in two years from the award of works and date of land acquisition.

Under the ongoing RDSS scheme, financial assistance is being provided to the eligible DISCOMs i.e DISCOMs/Power Departments (excluding Private Sector DISCOMs) for upgradation of distribution infrastructure & system modernization including SCADA and communicable system metering along with smart pre-paid metering in the country. A Detailed Project Report (DPR) for augmentation and modernization of the distribution infrastructure of the UT of Lakshadweep is envisaged by the Department of Electricity, Lakshadweep, in consultation with PFC, the nodal agency for RDSS, for appropriate funding.

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