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Ministry of Power

Shram Shakti Bhawan, Rafi Marg,
New Delhi, dated 1st May, 2018

To

The Chairman & Managing Director,
Rural Electrification Corporation Ltd.,
Core-IV, Scope Complex,
New Delhi – 110 003.

Subject: Minutes of the Review, Planning and Monitoring (RPM) Meeting of Ministry of Power with Secretaries (Power/Energy) of States held on 12.04.2018 at New Delhi – regarding.

Sir,

I am directed to refer to the Meeting of the Review, Planning and Monitoring (RPM) Committee held under the Chairmanship of Hon'ble MOSP(VC) on 12.04.2018 at New Delhi and to forward herewith a copy of the minutes of the same for taking necessary action and further circulation to all the concerned.

Encl: as above.

Yours faithfully,


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Minutes of Review Planning and Monitoring (RPM) Meeting of Ministry of Power with Secretaries (Power/Energy) of States/UTs held on 12th April, 2018 at New Delhi.

Review Planning and Monitoring (RPM) Meeting of Ministry of Power with Secretaries (Power/Energy) of States was held under the Chairmanship of Hon'ble Minister on 12th April, 2018 at New Delhi. The list of the participants is at **Annexure**.

1.1 Secretary (Power), Govt. of India welcomed Hon'ble Minister of Power, Energy Secretaries of the States & other dignitaries. Secretary (Power) appreciated the efforts of States for village electrification and requested to put all efforts in completing the remaining un-electrified villages by April, 2018 positively and achieve 100% Household electrification by 31st December, 2018.

2.0 Gram Swaraj Abhiyan

2.1 Director RE Ministry of Power gave a presentation on Gram Swaraj Abhiyan (GSA). He mentioned that GSA is a special initiative of Govt of India with aim to saturate 7 schemes of GoI in the identified 16850 villages. This special drive is from 14Apr to 05May. Two schemes of Ministry of Power are also included in this viz. Saubhagya (for household electrification) and Ujala (for LED bulb distribution). Director and DS level officers have also been deputed from Govt of India for better coordination. On 28Apr2018 Gram Shakti Diwas will be celebrated. These 16850 villages are in 484 districts. Out of these 4660 villages are already 100% electrified. About 14.66 lakh households are targeted for electrification during this Abhiyan.

2.2 Data about the progress of the GSA will get reflected on gsa.nic.in all the States/UTs were requested to update the data daily on special App developed by REC for the GSA. Alternatively, daily village wise number of connection released be sent to CPM of REC for updation in the portal.

2.3 On 28Apr2018, Gram Shakti Abhiyan will be held. Under this, kiosk by state power dept/Discoms will be set up at district headquarters, in coordination with rural development department of the state. Awareness campaign, banner, pamphlets etc may also be arranged.

2.4 Under UJALA scheme, States to provide awareness of LED bulbs to masses which can bring reduction in electricity bills. In this regard, MD (EESL) informed that EESL would provide LED bulbs at a concessional price of Rs.50/-.

2.5 Hon'ble Minister emphasized that GSA will give a big push to drive of household electrification under Saubhagya and hence should be done on top priority. This will also ensure that the services reach to the most needy and poor households of the villages.

3.0 Deendayal Upadhyaya Gram Jyoti Yojana (DDUGJY) and Pradhan Mantri Sahaj Bijili Har Ghar Yojana (Saubhagya)

3.1 Senior Executive Director REC made presentation on Village Electrification&Saubhagya.

Following action points emerged:

3.1.1 States to complete Household Electrification by 31st December 2018.

3.1.2 States to celebrate on completion of electrification of 100% households of every Village, every Block and every District.

- 3.1.3 States to provide DPRs under Saubhagya and REC to process quickly.
- 3.1.4 Reduction of AT&C losses, should be given due emphasis. States to give preference for prepaid meters.
- 3.1.5 Appreciation certificates may be given to Officers, on achieving targets at District level.
- 3.1.6 Any change/amendment in the sanction scope only be done after prior approval of Ministry. For the same, States are requested to record the changes and send the proposal to Nodal Agency for modification.
- 3.1.7 Communication Plan including Hoardings to be ensured by States.
- 3.1.8 States to confirm the un-electrified household figures and update in Saubhagya Portal.
- 3.1.9 States to plan and devise strategies to achieve electrification of remaining un-electrified households, on the basis of per day requirement.
- 3.1.10 Un-electrified Households of Permanent Disconnection (PDC) in nature, to be removed from the number of Households to be electrified.
- 3.1.11 Uttar Pradesh needs to electrify 60,000 Households per day to achieve the target within time. State to focus on flood prone areas first. North Bihar to try to complete the works by the end of June, 2018. Odisha informed that 14 districts would be saturated by June 2018. Jharkhand informed that after reconciliation of Saubhagya data and Survey data conducted by Department of Posts (DoP), the balance households may be reduced to around 15-16 lakh. Works are now in full swing and 6 Lakh connections to households would be released by June, 2018. Assam conveyed that they are reconciling the figures with the report submitted by DoP.
- 3.1.12 All States confirmed that they would complete the household electrification by 31st December, 2018.
- 3.1.13 It was observed that the work progress under various RE Components of DDUGJY, is not upto the mark. States confirmed that they would take all efforts to execute Substations, DTR, HT & LT Lines, and Feeder Segregation by 31st March, 2019.
- 3.1.14 Hon'ble Minister advised that DDUGJY & Saubhagya are priority programme of Govt. of India and the funds involved for creation of distribution infrastructure is very large, Therefore the progress of works, fund releases, project outcome are to be received by the State energy secretaries at personal level and that they send progress report fortnightly basis for Saubhagya and monthly basis on DDUGJY.
- 3.1.15 Serious view was taken on non-participation of Secretaries of some States in the RPM Meeting. The importance of their presence was reiterated, for facilitating consultation on various important sectoral decisions.

4.0 Integrated Power Development Scheme (IPDS)

- 4.1 A presentation on IPDS was made by ED(IPDS) and after detailed discussion following action points emerged:
 - 4.1.1 States were again insisted to regularly submit monthly physical progress reports of IPDS to PFC/MoP in the desired format, duly approved by MDs/Secretaries, by 7th of each month.

