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New Delhi, dated 15th June, 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 with Addl. Chief Secretary/Principal Secretary/Secretary (Power/Energy) and CMDs and MDs of DISCOMs of all States/UTs under the Chairmanship of Hon'ble MOSP(I/C) at New Delhi– regarding.

Sir,

Please find enclosed herewith a copy of the Minutes of the Review, Planning and Monitoring (RPM) Meeting of Ministry of Power held under the Chairmanship of Hon'ble MOSP(I/C) on 06.06.2018 at New Delhi for taking necessary action and circulation to all concerned.

Encl: as above

Yours faithfully,


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To,

1. Addl. Chief Secretary/Principal Secretary/Secretary (Power/Energy) of all States/UTs
2. CMDs & MDs of all DISCOMs
3. Chairperson, CEA, Sewa Bhavan, New Delhi.
4. CMDs of NTPC, PGCIL, DVC

Copy to:

- i) PS to HMoP
- ii) PPS to Secretary (P)/PPS to AS(SNS)
- iii) PPS/PS to all JSs/ CE/EA, Ministry of Power.
- iv) PS to Dir(D)/PA to Dir(RE)

Minutes of Review Planning and Monitoring (RPM) Meeting of Ministry of
Power held on 6th June 2018 at New Delhi

The meeting was chaired by Hon'ble Minister of State (IC) for Power and New & Renewable Energy and list of participants is enclosed at **Annex**.

At the outset, Secretary Power, Government of India welcomed Hon'ble Minister, Power/Energy Secretaries of the States & other dignitaries. Secretary Power complimented State Secretaries and MDs of Discoms for their efforts in achieving electrification of all villages in the country. Further, Secretary Power applauded the efforts of States in achieving Gram Swaraj Abhiyan (GSA) Targets. Secretary Power stated that Rs.4851 crore have been released by Ministry to REC and REC in turn released Rs.2200 crore to States. There is hardly any demand from States pending at REC. Secretary Power emphasised that GSA is being monitored by Cabinet Secretary on regular basis and States should ensure that electrification of remaining households in identified villages is completed within the stipulated timelines. Secretary Power pointed out that some States have proactively issued Contract Amendments for existing DDUGJY Contracts, paving way for engagement of them in Saubhagya scheme for faster execution.

Joint Secretary, Ministry of Power mentioned that the GSA experience indicates that households electrified for saturation of identified villages are much lesser than the projected targets. A realistic assessment of reduced number of households to be electrified would help in proper apportionment of funds, including that for creation of requisite upstream infrastructures for providing access to remaining households, wherever required.

Secretary Power and CMD REC requested all States to freeze the figures of remaining un-electrified households keeping in view the experience under GSA and also taking into account the balance sanctioned BPL households under DDUGJY including its RE component.

Shri T.S.C. Bosh, Executive Director, REC made detailed presentation on estimation of number of un-electrified households based on GSA experience, progress under GSA-I & GSA-II, Saubhagya and DDUGJY.

The details of the deliberations are as under :

1. Estimation of number of un-electrified households and Saubhagya

- (a) The presentation covered state-wise details of estimated number of un-electrified households worked out on the basis of variations experience under GSA, taking Saubhagya portal as base data, and also taking into accounting the balance sanctioned BPL households under DDUGJY including its RE Component.
- (b) Most of the State agreed that the actual number of electricity connections to be released to achieve universal access is working out to be lesser than the number of un-electrified households projected by the States on Saubhagya Portal for various reasons as being experienced under GSA. In many cases, two or more households residing in one building are opting single electricity connections, some of very poor households are appearing not willing to avail electricity connections and there are also gaps in data vis-à-vis ground reality as regard to number of un-electrified households.
- (c) States also expressed practical difficulties in working out exact number of un-electrified households but agreed to rationalise the numbers based on GSA experience and balance sanctioned BPL households for the purpose of fixing targets. During implementation access to electricity to all households would be ensured to achieve universal access and funds would be released accordingly.
- (d) After detailed deliberations on the matter, it was decided that all States will workout estimated number of un-electrified households and also the households to be sanctioned under Saubhagya after taking into account the balance sanctioned BPL households under DDUGJY. All States agreed to submit these details to REC and the Ministry latest by 7th June 2016.
- (e) Funds under Saubhagya would be sanctioned based on number of un-electrified households finalised by the States duly considering already sanctioned BPL households

