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To

Chairman and Managing Director  
Rural Electrification Corporation Limited  
New Delhi-110003

Subject : Minutes of the Review, Planning and Monitoring (RPM) Meeting with Additional Chief Secretary / Principal Secretary / Secretary (Power/Energy) of all States/UTs under the Chairmanship of Hon’ble Minister of Power 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 Chairmanship of Hon’ble Minister of Power on 15th October, 2018 at New Delhi for taking necessary action and circulation to all concerned.

Yours faithfully,

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To

1. Additional Chief Secretary / Principal Secretary / Secretary (Power/Energy) of all States/UTs. 
2. CMDs & MDs of all DISCOMs. 
4. CMDs of PFC, NTPC, PGCIL, DVC.

Copy to:

i. PS to Hon’ble Minister of Power & NRE  
ii. PPS to Secretary (Power) / PPS to AS(SNS)  
iii. PPS / PS to all JSS (including FA), CE, EA, Ministry of Power.  
iv. PA to Director (RE).
Minutes of Review Planning and Monitoring (RPM) Meeting of Ministry of Power with Secretaries (Power/Energy) of States/UTs held on 15th October, 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 MOSP(I/C) on 15th October, 2018 at New Delhi. The list of the participants is at Annexure.

1.1. Joint Secretary (Distribution), Ministry of Power, Government of India welcomed Hon’ble Minister of Power, Energy Secretaries of the States & other dignitaries. JS (D) mentioned that progress of household electrification though has improved in the recent weeks, the required rate of electrification per day is around 1.89 Lakh households and asked the States to take all possible steps to achieve saturation in their respective States before DEC-2018.

1.2. Secretary, Power in his address mentioned that States have geared up in saturating household electrification, progress of electrification in the preceding week was 7.42 Lakh households. He emphasised that this momentum of household electrification level needs further improvement so as to fulfil the objective of Government of India to achieve Universal Household Electrification in the country before DEC-2018.

1.3. Hon’ble Minister of Power and New & Renewable Energy (IC) apprrectiated efforts made by the States for accelerating the household electrification progress. Hon’ble Minister committed to the States that funds is not be a constraint and assured that Ministry of Power would extend all possible support to States in accelerating the progress of household electrification. Hon’ble Minister asked the Power Utilities to review closely at Division level with Turnkey Contracting Agencies on weekly basis and fortnightly basis at State level with Discoms. Hon’ble Minister impressed upon the States to take every possible action and complete household electrification in their respective States well ahead of 31-DEC-2018.

The points emerged during the deliberations are enumerated as under:

2.0 Pradhan Mantri Sahaj Bijli Har Ghar Yojana (Saubhagya)

2.1 Uttar Pradesh:

2.1.1 Principal Secretary, Government of Uttar Pradesh made a presentation regarding implementation of Saubhagya. Approx. 46 Lakh out of 1.17 Crore Households covered in 2.8 lakh habitations, remained un-electrified. 7 districts of PsVVNL saturated, balance 7 districts of PsVVNL will also be saturated by Oct’18. 20 lakh out of total 35 Lakh illegal connections achieved. 12 Lakh projected Urban Households are not existing and 70 Lakh Households are balance. For illegal connections, FIRs have been done. Those pockets where consumers are not willing, have been identified.

2.1.2 Principal Secretary stated that they require 1.50 Lakh Nos. of Distribution Transformers and had organised meeting with their Turnkey Contractors. The State has problem in Gonda District as there are 3000 habitations still remain un-electrified. The State
has identified 13 districts (9 nos. in MuVVNL& 4 nos. in PuVVNL), where supplementary agencies are required. Discoms have floated tenders for materials. LOI issued to 4 agencies for Off-grid HH.

2.1.3 State has floated tenders on semi-turnkey basis for Poles, DTR, ABC Cables & conductors. Poles are procured from Gwalior, Jaipur&Bihar. Separate TKCs-wise meeting at Principal Secretary level has been conducted.

2.1.4 Principal Secretary stated that Rs.515 crore out of total 717 crore bills paid, bills have been monitored on daily basis. Saturation of 28 Districts shall be completed by Nov’18. PuVVNL and DVVVNL would be completely saturated by Dec’18.

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2.1.5 It was informed that Chief Secretary reviews every week through Video-conferencing on Monday which is attended by District Collectors. UPPCL also monitors connection rate and major saturation, on daily basis. State Secretary reviews fortnightly. Hon’ble Chief Minister had reviewed Saubhagyay Scheme twice in the last month.

2.1.7 Following was advised:

2.1.7.1 Action to be taken against illegal connection including arrest
2.1.7.2 To take in writing from unwilling consumer to avoid any counterclaim
2.1.7.3 To examine the Electricity Act to ascertain deterrence
2.1.7.4 To take the saturation plan from Discoms after discussions with CE/SE and their Contracting Agencies.

Principal Secretary, govt. of UP committed that State would take all proactive positive actions to achieve household electrification in the State.

2.2 Assam:

2.2.1 Additional Chief Secretary, Government of Assam stated in his presentation that 12.47 Lakh Households are balance. In last 10 days, HH electrification rate is 4316 Households per day against requirement of 12557. They have adopted three (03) pronged strategies:

2.2.1.2 First is to use existing TKCs for 4.40 Lakh.
2.2.1.2 Secondly is to use Empanelled Contractors on partial turnkey basis covering 2.50 Lakh HH with additional support by providing Meters, Conductors & transformers from Discom.
2.2.1.3 Thirdly is that around 5.0 lakh HHs have been split into 57 small turnkey contractors.

2.2.2 Additional manpower has also been inducted for supervision & inspection at sub-division level. Shortage of tubular poles was mentioned. Poles shall be procured from West Bengal. There will be a problem in erecting poles in paddy field during harvesting season. Saturation of 6-7 Districts shall be achieved by Nov’18.

2.2.4 All contracts for Packages have been awarded. Barak Valley Contract is for Rs.150 crore. 24 Packages out of 57 packages, cleared by Board. Another 21 packages, Board approval is required and another 5 packages, single tender to be cleared by Board. Supply of material by REC have commenced.

2.2.5 Following was advised:
2.2.5.1 To increase pace from 1 lakh currently to 2 lakh per month
2.2.5.2 To organise Meeting with Meter manufacturers
2.2.5.3 To resolve payment issue of Manufacturer with Discom
2.2.5.4 Review by Chief Secretary to be attended by District Collectors every week.
2.2.5.5 To submit strategy & week-wise Milestones from DGMs of Discom after discussions with TKC.

2.3. Odisha:
2.3.1 It was informed that in the last 30 days, progress of HHs on an average is 11,153 as compared to the required 12657 Households per day. NTPC & PGCIL have lined up required men & material. CEO, CESU stated that due to Cyclone “Titli”, there are damages in newly erected infra in Rayagada, Ganjam & Gajapati Districts. Hon’ble Minister stated damages on account of such natural calamities should be taken care of, as per Central team’s assessment.

2.3.2 PGCIL stated that 2.10 lakh HH connections pending. Last week, PGCIL had electrified 72,000 HHs.

2.4. Rajasthan

2.4.1 Principal Secretary (Energy), Government of Rajasthan made a presentation and stated that about 6.78 lakh rural un-electrified Households pending including 3.50 lakh under off-grid. Initial plan was to cover through grid & average expenditure works out to Rs.70,000 per household and also require 6-7 poles in tribal area. Package were re-tendered and will take approx. one month for award. While re-tendering, works have been divided into 20 packages as against 30 packages envisaged earlier. As regard to electrification through grid, 3 out of 33 districts have been saturated; 22 planned for saturation in Oct’18; 4 in Nov’18 & remaining 4 districts for saturation in Dec’18.
2.4.2 State was asked to sharedistrict-wise timelines for saturation of electrification for both grid and off-grid modes and to complete overall plan after discussions with TKCs.

2.4.3 Joint Secretary, Power stated that on grid connection within the allowed cost should be the first choice of electrification. Hon’ble Minister advised to carry out a survey to cover maximum households through grid connection.

2.4.4 A team headed by CEA alongwith Discom representative and REC would be visiting the field for verification and requirement of Off-grid based household electrification.

2.5 Jharkhand:

2.5.1 MD, JVBNL, Ranchistated that only 4.27 Lakh HH is remaining due to electrification of 46,218 urban HH, 70,000 rural HH and reduction of 2 lakh in the survey and the details of households are being uploaded in the Saubhagya portal by JBVNL. JBVNL would complete HH electrification by 15th Dec’18 in the State. As of now, 2 districts viz., Ramgarh & Bokaro have already been saturated. Dhanbad would be saturated by 24.10.2018.

2.5.2 Hon’ble Minister advised the State to publicise saturation of districts in newspapers to raise the moral of all the officers & staff and importantly to make aware of the people of the good work done by State.

2.6 Karnataka:

2.6.1 Additional Chief Secretary (Energy), Government of Karnataka stated that 3.68lakh Households are remaining in the State as un-electrified out of which 1.80 lakh covered under Saubhagya sanction & remaining under DDUGJY. Over and above the sanction of Rs 80.07 Cr against the additional infrastructure for Saubhagya households, ACS requested Monitoring Committee to deliberate on the same.

2.7 Bihar:

2.7.1 MD, SBPDC, Patnastated that out of pending 3.20 lakh households, 2.27 lakh Households are being connected. Remaining 93,379 Households are spread in 4 Districts viz., Kaimur, Bhagalpur, Sitamarhi & Muzaffarpur which are also targeted for saturation of electrification beyond Oct’18.

2.7.2 For accelerating the progress in Bihar, following strategies as adopted by the Discoms were narrated by the MD, SBPDC, as under:

2.7.2.1 Discoms were drafted along with TKC, wherever difficulties surfaced.
2.7.2.2 In Kaimur district, work was sublet to other TKC after splitting due to poor performance.
2.7.2.3 Direct payment to manufacturers to ensure material mobilisation timely, after authorization by the respective TKCs.
2.7.2.4 For any new vendor, provisional vendor approval was made.
2.7.2.5 For any new material, PDI was waived off.
2.7.2.6 Fund releases decentralised; SEs authorized for payment.
2.7.2.7 75% payment made on joint measurement.
2.7.2.8 In Gaya District, provisional payment of 12-13 Cr was made based on expected joint measurement.

2.7.3 Hon'ble Minister appreciated the efforts made by the Discoms in Bihar.
2.7.4 Director (Projects), TSSPDCL, Telangana stated that 1.49 lakh Households balance out of which many are unwilling households. Hon'ble Minister advised to take in writing from such unwilling Household families. Hon'ble Minister advised to complete electrification in the State by Nov'18.
2.7.5 Director (Project), WBSEDCL, West Bengal stated that the remaining Households are 1.93 lakhonly and they would be electrified by Nov 18.

2.8 Jammu & Kashmir:

2.8.1 Commissioner Secretary, Government of Jammu & Kashmir made a presentation and mentioned that as on 10th Oct, 2017, there were 3.57 Lakh un-electrified Households. 2.51 Lakh had been achieved and balance 1.06 Lakh is to be electrified. Five (5) Districts have been saturated and remaining 10 Districts planned for completion by Nov’18 have now been preponed to Oct’18.

2.8.2 For electrification of 66,000 Households by way of LT line extension, approx. 55,000 Poles are required. All the Poles have been tied for supply.

2.8.3 Earlier Off-grid Households were 13,000 Nos. out of which 9,000 under Saubhagya and 4,000 DDUGJY in the scope of IIT, Chennai. Later on IIT, Chennai shown their inability to deliver solar system before Nov’18 in snow bound area. Therefore, these solar systems have been taken off from their scope. Now, LT network would be created in these hamlets. Poles have been shifted in these areas and would be energized. Balance approx. 9000 Households are to be done through Off-grid for which 70% material tied up for supply; balance shall be received by 26th Oct’18.

2.8.3 PGCIL had been advised to expedite the work. PGCIL stated that they are facing problem in 168 hamlets in Jammu District for LT line creation. However, in these hamlets, complete saturation would be achieved by Dec’18 due to requirement of headloading of poles.

2.9 Director, MePDCL, Meghalaya stated that out of total balance 1,39,849. MePDCL is executing Saubhagya in two parts. One is departmental and the other on Turnkey basis. They shall be receiving material by 2nd week of Oct’18. MePDCL is doing internal wiring departmentally which shall be completed by Dec’18. Regarding Infra erection, NIT has been floated on 26.09.18 & bid opening is due on 17.10.2018.
2.10. Hon’ble Minister stated that since last month in Meghalaya, there has been no progress. It was suggested that State should take all possible steps so as to not to miss the target.

2.11 Secretary (Energy) Government of Chhattisgarh stated that 99,000 HH are balance. 10 out of 27 Districts have been saturated and in balance Districts, 5000-6000 connections are remaining. Major concern is at Sukma & Bijapur Districts which are affected by LWE issues. Nevertheless, State targets to achieve electrification saturation by Dec’18.

2.12 MD, UPCL, Uttarakhand stated that around 12,000 more UE Households are to be added to the UPCL’s reported figure in the portal of 96,122 Nos. Challenges are in Pithoragarh and Munsiyari Districts due to road blockage. State has geared up to achieve saturation of HH electrification by 1st week of Nov’18 in 3 districts; by end of Nov’18 in Six (6) districts. Secretary Power stated that Chief Secretary of Uttarakhand may review overall household electrification and material position on regular basis. MD, UPCL stated that 40% material has been received and balance on transit.

2.13 Tripura:

2.13.1 MD, TSECL stated that balance households in the State are 1.13 lakh. Material has been received from RECPDCL. Major Material required is steel tube light pole. 25% of 849 villages have voluminous works.

2.13.2 CEO, RECPDCL clarified that 30,000 Poles have been ordered by State. Against which, 1,000 poles have been delivered, 5,000 Nos. in transit & balance 2,500 are under inspection. Recently, State has ordered additional requirement of 60,000 Poles for which repeat ordering shall be done and will require additional time due to late ordering.

2.13.3 Hon’ble Minister advised RECPDCL to assess the capacity of Pole manufacturers or to proceed for separate tendering.

2.13.4 NEEPCOWork started on 5th Oct’18; 12,586 connections to be provided by NEEPCO. Material received.

2.14 Maharashtra:

2.14.1 Principal Secretary, Govt of Maharashtra stated that 25 Districts have been saturated. 7 Districts would be saturated by Oct’18.

2.14.2 CMD, MSEDCL added that in Nandurbar and Gadchiroli Districts, electrification through off-grid systems is a major challenge and however, State has targeted to achieve saturation of electrification by Nov’18.
2.15 Nagaland:

2.15.1 Commissioner & Secretary(Power), Government of Nagaland stated that 89,924 Households are Un-electrified. 30 days moving average of electrification is only 376 households. Due to unprecedented heavy rain in the last 2-3 months in the State, works were affected. 70% material, however, have been stored during heavy rain. In last week, Power Department has done 7628 connections. With this progress, State would achieve by 1st fortnight of Dec’18.

2.16 Arunachal Pradesh: It was informed that Commissioner could not participate due to strike going on in the State. CEO, RECPDCL stated that Waseal conductors in full have been delivered. 30,000 out of 62,000 ordered Poles have also been dispatched; 18,000 Poles are under inspection. REC was asked to work out Milestones with State Govt for District-wise saturation plan and schedule.

2.17 Manipur: Commissioner (Power), Government of Manipur stated that 35,000 households are remaining un-electrified. 3,387 are off grid Households for which Order placed on IIT Chennai. 7565 grid HHs fall in category-II for which tender floated. However tender could not be finalized. District wise tender was floated covered in 9 districts. State wants to take under Turnkey mode and being reviewed at the level of Hon’ble CM. For 15,000 households material ordered for off grid system. 9 packages tendered for incremental Infra through departmental execution. Hon’ble Minister advised the State to be proactive and push up for more progress.

2.18 Mizoram: Secretary (Power), Govt. Of Mizoram stated that Households increased by 13000 Nos. over and above the reported Saubhagya portal figure. The progress is slow due to unprecedented rain and cyclone. It was decided to engage local contractors as departmental execution is fairly slow. 4813 HHs require no infra and therefore would be electrified soon. Order has been placed for 10000 poles out of which 2500 under transit; 2000 under inspection. State to gear up the momentum of household electrification.

2.18.1 Sikkim: Principal CE cum Secretary (Power), Govt. of Sikkim stated that they need sanction for creation of additional infra. It was reported that a team of REC along with Power Department would visit various villages and submit report for consideration of Monitoring Committee.

2.19 Madhya Pradesh: Hon’ble Minister appreciated the efforts taken by the State and the 3 Power Discoms of Madhya Pradesh in bringing the electrification level to almost saturation level excepting the 3 Districts (Singrauli, Sidhi, Dindori).

2.19.2 Chairman and MD, MPPCL, Govt. of Madhya Pradesh elaborated the strategies followed by the State in achieving the success which includes

2.19.2.1 State drew plan in Sept’2017 itself post launch of Saubhagya,
2.19.2.2 DDUGJY Contractors were engaged before Sept’17,
2.19.2.3 Contractors were assigned rating CAT-A/B/C/D, Discoms planned at microlevel; went into details of material procurement including payment by TKC,
2.19.2.4 Rigorous reviews were carried out at highest level in the State,
2.19.2.5 Powers delegated for payment and petty material purchases to District level SE/EEs exclusively for Saubhagya.
2.19.2.6 On submission of additional Bank Guarantee, 2nd mobilization advance was given.

3.0 Deendayal Upadhyaya Gram Jyoti Yojana (DDUGJY)

3.1 It was informed that overall 38% physical progress has been achieved. In XI & XII Plans, 38 Lakh Households and in DDUGJY new plan, 18.64 Lakh BPL Households have already been sanctioned and are remaining to be electrified. Secretary, Power stated that off-take of money is not good for some of the States. JS (Distn.) stated that land issues of Sub-stations are to be escalated uptoChief Secretary level of the State.

3.2 The Statewise issues emerged are as under:

3.2.1 Uttar Pradesh (Sanctioned Rs 6946 crore; Released Rs2162 crore) – Principal Secretary, Govt. of Uttar Pradesh stated that DTR, Intensive electrification & BPL household works has been taken on priority. Other work would be taken up after completion of Saubhagya. MVVNL &PuVVNL tenders have been floated for procurement of Meters to expedite process.

3.2.2 Bihar (Sanctioned Rs 5856 crore; Released Rs 1339 crore) – MD, SBPDCL stated that main work is feeder segregation. In Sub-stations, DTR works started; 80 sub-stations commissioned. 70-80 Power Sub-stations shall be commissioned by Dec’18 & balance by Jan’19.

3.2.3 West Bengal (Sanctioned Rs 4262 crore; Released Rs 700 crore) – Director (Project), WBSEDCL, West Bengal stated that they would complete all the 80 sub-stations by March’19. They have achieved replacement of 12.81 Lakh defective Energy meters.

3.2.4 Jharkhand (Sanctioned Rs 3918 crore, Released Rs 1134 crore) – MD, JBVNL stated that they are focussing on uncovered hamlets. 100 % SAGY achieved. MD stated that works on track and would be completed.

3.2.5 Madhya Pradesh (Sanctioned Rs 2946 crore; Released Rs 719 crore) – MD, MPPMCL stated that they would complete works on time.

3.2.6 Rajasthan (Sanctioned Rs 2819 crore; Released Rs 469 crore) – Principal Secretary (Energy) stated that they would complete all balance works on time.

3.2.7 Maharashtra (Sanctioned Rs 2174 crore; Released Rs 390 crore) – MD, MSEDCL stated that intensive electrification of Villages had been completed. Data to be uploaded. In Nov’18, they would require funds. CMD REC stated that funds would be made available on time to MSEDCL on receipt of fund request proposal from the State.

3.2.8 Karnataka (Sanctioned Rs 1755 crore, Released Rs558 crore) – Additional Chief Secretary (Energy) stated that State require money for creation of additional infrastructure. The proposal received from the State had been considered and Rs 80.07 Cr sanctioned. For consideration of remaining amount, the due diligence report would be placed before the Monitoring Committee for consideration.
3.2.9 Odisha (Sanctioned Rs 1749 crore, Released Rs 464 crore) – CEO, CESU stated that last month the State faced cyclone ‘Titli’ due to which progress affected. However, the works would be completed on time.

3.2.10 Assam (Sanctioned Rs 1568 crore, Released Rs 427 crore) – Additional Chief Secretary stated that there are two matters that slowed down the progress of works; First is that all works awarded except DTR metering and DTR metering to be IT enabled; the second is that there are 69 Packages covering 15 Sub-stations and some packages face Right of way (ROW) problems. ACS Assam stated that these problems are being handled by ASPDCL and the progress would be set on track through close review at State level.

3.2.11 Chhattisgarh (Sanctioned Rs 1532 crore, Released Rs 708 crore) – Secretary (Energy) stated that the land for all 80 Sub-stations had been allotted by the State and 55 substations completed. Feeder Segregation works are pending and would be completed by Mar’19.

3.2.12 Andhra (Sanctioned Rs 941 crore, Released Rs 445 crore) – MD, APDCL stated that except for some HVDS works, all works would be completed by Dec’18.

3.2.13 Tamil Nadu (Sanctioned Rs 924 crore, Released Rs 316 crore) – Principal Secretary (Energy), stated that orders had been placed. Land acquisition is an issue. TANGEDCO would complete all works by Jan’19.

3.2.14 Uttarakhand (Sanctioned Rs845 crore; Released Rs190 crore) – MD, UPCL stated that for snow bound villages, Off-grid mode has been adopted. UPCL was asked to update the progress of works on ddugjy.gov.in portal.

3.2.15 Jammu & Kashmir (Sanctioned Rs619 crore, Released Rs72 crore) – Commissioner Secretary stated that all 21 Packages had been awarded. Works commenced in 12 Packages. In balance packages, survey works under progress. In 8 districts, PGCIL is doing and in 13 districts, Discom is executing. PGCIL could not move forward in creation HT infrastructure in their area of 8 projects. Commissioner asked PGCIL to create LT infrastructure first, keeping in the urgency of Saubhagya. JKPDD was asked to closely review and expedite overall works including PMDP.

3.2.16 Kerala (Sanctioned Rs485 crore, Released Rs173 crore) – Director (Distribution) stated that pending works are installation of ABC cable and consumer & DTR metering would be achieved by Mar’19.

4.0 Public Financial Management System (PFMS)

4.1 JS (FA), Ministry of Power raised the issue of substantial amount lying unutilised with Power Utilities under DDUGJY, Saubhagya, IPDS schemes. He further asked the States that the unspent amount as had been reported by the States are by and large on lower side and are not tallying with the figures reflecting on the PFMS portal. The Nodal Officers/Finance Executives of Power Utilities are required to update the details of fund consumption for the projects and also the cash on hand, in the PFMS portal.

4.2 JS FA asked the States/Power Utilities to effect release of payment to the Contracting Agencies through PFMS portal and, if not, to tag and update the details of release in the PFMS portal.
4.3 REC CMD asked the States to efficiently utilise the funds for accelerate progress in pace with the timelines and to report expenditure details both physical and on portal.

4.4 State Secretaries suggested that some more exposure is required for the dealing Finance Officers for updation of expenditure details in PFMS portal.

4.5 Secretary Power instructed REC to organise a workshop on PFMS for the Power Utilities.

5.0 Award scheme for accelerating progress of Household Electrification under Saubhagya. Hon’ble Minister launched Award Scheme under Saubhagya. The award will be given to the Discom which achieves the target of Household Electrification first.

5.1 Director (RE), Ministry of Power detailed salient features and objective of the scheme. Government of India attaches high priority for the Saubhagya scheme and aiming to achieve Universal Electrification before Dec 2018.

5.2 States have been categorised in three for the purpose of award. (i) Special Category: NE States, including Sikkim, J&K, Uttarakhand (ii) Other than special (less than 5 lakh uHH), (iii) Other than Special (more than Slakh uHH). Award will be given for each category.

5.3 Rs 100cr award will be given as grant, to be spent in distribution infrastructure development of the Discom. Principal Secretary Energy of the state to decide work to be executed. In addition to this, Rs50Lakh cash award for distribution among employees of the Discom. Out of this Rs20Lakh is for the division (of that Discom) with highest number of Households electrified.

5.4 Declaration of Chief Secretary of State will be considered as proof of 100% Household Electrification.

5.5 OM of the Award scheme will be issued by Ministry.

5.6 Director (RE) mentioned that this scheme would bring in competition among States/Power Discoms and supplement the overall objective of achievement of Universal Electrification through household electrification under Saubhagya scheme.

6.0 JS/Distribution also raised the issue of Promotion of Digital Payment, Adoption and reporting of Digital Payment in Smart Cities, onboarding of BBPS and BHIM App, and QR code. States were requested to take necessary steps for the same. Ministry of Power has already sent communication in this regard to states.

The meeting ended with vote of thanks to the chair.

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List of Participants in the RPM Meeting held on 15.10.2018 at New Delhi

In the Chair: Shri R. K. Singh, Hon’ble Minister of State (I/C) for Power and New & Renewable Energy, Govt. of India

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  3. Shri Vivek Kumar Dewangan, JS(FA)
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  5. Shri Muthuraja, Dy Secy

- **CEA**
  1. Shri Mangal Hembram, CE

- **REC**
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  2. Dr. Shakil P Ahammed, Sr. ED & OSD (PD)
  3. Ms Debjani Chakrabarti, ED
  4. Shri T.S.C. Bosh, ED
  5. Shri G.S. Bhati, ED
  6. Ms. Kalpana Kaul, ED

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  2. Ms Palka Sahni, ED
  3. Shri SubirSaha, GM

- **NTPC**
  Shri Gurdeep Singh, CMD

- **Powergrid**
  Ms. Seema Gupta, Director(Operations)

- **DVC**
  Shri D. Ghosh, ED (Project)

- **Andhra Pradesh**
  Shri K. Sitharamaraju, Director (Fin), APSPDCL

- **Arunachal Pradesh**
  Sh. Marto Bagra, Dy. R.C.

- **Assam**
  Shri Jishnu Barua, Add. Chief Secretary
- Bihar
  Shri R. Lakshmanan, MD, SBPDCCL

- Chhattisgarh
  Shri Siddhartha K. Pardeshi, Secretary (Energy)

- Gujarat
  Shri Bhavin Pandya, MD PGVCL

- Haryana
  Shri P. K. Das, Additional Chief Secretary

- Himachal Pradesh
  Shri Vipan Pal Singh, Director (OP), HPSEB

- JAMMU & KASHMIR
  Shri Hirdesh Kumar Singh, Commissioner cum Secretary (Power)

- Jharkhand
  Shri Rahul Kumar Purwar, MD, JBVNL

- Karnataka
  Shri P. Ravikumar, Addl. Chief Secretary

- Kerala
  Shri Kumaran P., Director, KSEB

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