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To,

All Addl. Chief Secretaries / Principal Secretaries / Secretaries (Power/Energy) of States

All CMDs / MDs of State Power Utilities / Discoms

Sub. : Rural power supply hours

Govt. of India is committed to ensure 24x7 power supply to all households in the country. The hours of supply in the rural areas is one of the key parameters being reviewed periodically by the Govt. of India. Ministry has entrusted RECPDCL (A subsidiary of REC) to collect monthly field data from DISCOMs with minimum human interference. RECPDCL has already deployed dedicated teams of engineers in 16 different locations to cover the entire country.

2. In this context, monthly CMRI data comprising voltage and load current in respect of all the rural feeders are to be shared with RECPDCL to verify power supply during different time span in a day on at least 5% feeders. They would also interact systematically with various categories of consumers in sample villages of the selected 11 KV feeders and prepare district-wise reports. Such district-wise reports shall be compiled by RECPDCL to ascertain power supply position in a DISCOMs/States. The power supply position shall be further discussed by the Ministry in the monthly Review, Planning and Monitoring (RPM) meetings.

3. I would request that the concerned officials of DISCOMs be advised to share monthly CMRI data comprising voltage and load current for all the rural feeders with RECPDCL.

Yours sincerely,

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