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The Principal Secretary (Power)
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Sub: Live Telecast of Hon'ble Prime Minister's Independence Day
speech in the villages electrified from 1st April 2015

Sir:

In the 69th Independence Day (15th August 2015) speech, Hon'ble Prime Minister resolved to the nation that around 18500 villages lying un-electrified then would be electrified within 1000 days with the help of States and Local Bodies. As you are aware that the Village Electrification Programme has been taken up on Mission Mode by Ministry of Power under the Rural Electrification Component of DDUGJY (Deen Dayal Upadhyaya Gram Jyoti Yojana) and that around 9176 villages have been electrified till date and hopeful of achieving more than 10,000 villages by the ensuing Independence day ie. 15th August 2016.

Ministry of Power have now decided that the live telecast of the 70th Independence Day (15th August 2016) speech of the Hon'ble Prime Minister be shown to the public gathering at a suitable public place in these 10,000 villages (electrified from 1st April 2015 onwards), with the help of the States so that the people in these villages feel and rejoice the benefit of electricity and listening to the speech of Hon'ble Prime Minister.

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It may be mentioned that out of 22 un-electrified villages in West Bengal as on 31.03.2015, 8 villages have been electrified till date and another 11 villages are targeted to be electrified by 15th August 2016 (as per the Resolution of last Power Ministers Conference held at Goa) totalling to 19 villages electrified from 1st April 2015.

It is therefore requested that all suitable arrangements may kindly be made to ensure for showing live telecast of Hon'ble Prime Minister's Independence Day speech on 15th August 2016 in 19 villages electrified villages in West Bengal State through hiring of Television and other logistics by the Power Utility(s). It is further requested that the photographs of the occasion in all these villages are taken and uploaded in the web-portal of the Power Utility(s) and also mailed to the REC Project Office Kolkata (zmkolkata@recl.nic.in).

Yours faithfully



(Rajeev Sharma)

Chairman and Managing Director