

Hisar, August 6.

The Haryana Power distribution Corporations (Dakshin Haryana Bijli Vitran Nigam and Uttar Haryana Bijli Vitran Nigam) have submitted detailed project reports (DPRs) of about Rs. 1100 crore, for strengthening power distribution system in 33 towns in the State, to the Power Finance Corporation (PFC) of Government of India for approval by the Central Steering Committee under part 'B' of the Restructured Accelerated Power Development and Reforms Programme (RAPDRP) of the Central Government. The steering committee is likely to consider the DPRs for approval in its today, meeting..

Mr Devender Singh, Chairman and Managing Director, DHBVN and UHBVN said here today in a meeting of officers of the DHBVN that The RAPDRP would be executed in two parts. Under Part A, the power distribution system would be made information technology (IT) based while under Part B, the power distribution system in the towns would be strengthened and renovated. The power distribution system in 36 towns, each having population of more than 30,000, will be renovated and strengthened under the RAPDRP under its part A and under part B, 33 towns are included. He said that under part B of the RAPDRP, the power transmission and distribution system would be augmented and strengthened by setting up additional substations and distribution transformers, augmenting capacity of existing substations and transformers, replacing overloaded conductor, relocating meters, installing capacitors, etc.

Under part A of this prestigious programme, the Nigams plan to give a strong information technology base to the electricity distribution system by way of consumer indexing, GIS and asset mapping, metering of feeders and distribution transformers, automatic data logging, feeder segregation, ring fencing, information technology applications, establishment of base line data system, etc. He said that for part A of the RAPDRP schemes, the Central Government is providing cent per cent loan which will be converted into grant if the schemes are completed within the stipulated period. He said that under part A of RAPDRP, projects of Rs. 90.47 crore for the towns in the area of the DHBVN and projects for Rs. 76.16 crore for the towns in the area of the UHBVN have already been sanctioned by the Government of India.

The 36 towns include Hisar, Dabwali, Narnaul, Bhiwani, Charkhi Dadri, Hansi, Hodal, Palwal, Barwala, Rewari, Ellenabad, Sirsa, Tohana, Fatehabad, Faridabad and Gurgaon in the area of the DHBVN and Ambala Cantt, Ambala City, Panchkula, Kalka, Jhajjar, Bahadurgah, Kaithal, Cheeka, Jind, Narwana, Karnal, Gharaunda, Thanesar, Pehowa, Shahbad, Sonipat, Gohana, Rohtak, Yamunanagar and Panipat in the area of the UHBVN.