

## Objective

- AJAY: Phase-II will cover installation of 3,04,500 Solar Street Lights (SSLs) in the following states/ regions as per enclosed operational guidelines for implementation of the Scheme:
  - States of Uttar Pradesh, Bihar, Jharkhand, Odisha and Assam, which were covered in Phase-I of the Scheme as there is additional demand in these States.
  - Hilly States of Jammu & Kashmir, Himachal Pradesh and Uttarakhand.
  - North Eastern States including Sikkim.
  - Islands of Andaman & Nicobar and Lakshadweep.
  - Parliamentary constituencies covering 48 aspirational districts of States other than those covered in (i) to (iv) above.

## Period Till 31.03.2021 Salient Features

- Under Phase-II of the Scheme, 2000 numbers of SSLs will be provided in each of the Parliamentary Constituencies of NE States, Hilly States and Islands as mentioned above.
- In the five States covered under earlier AJAY scheme (Phase-I), 1000 numbers of SSLs will be provided in each of the Parliamentary Constituencies, which will be irrespective of number of SSLs already installed in Phase-I of AJAY scheme.
- Further, out of total 115 aspirational districts, 67 districts are lying in the states mentioned above and hence will get automatically covered. Parliamentary constituencies lying in uncovered balance 48 aspirational districts, will also be provided with up to 2000 numbers of SSLs based on the extent the Parliamentary Constituency lies in the aspirational district.
- Additional SSLs up to 1000 numbers, will be provided in Phase II constituencies i.e. constituencies other than those covered in earlier AJAY scheme, where there is additional demand after exhausting the initial allocated quota, provided the expenditure is within the overall budget of the Scheme.

## How to avail the financial assistance

- Under Phase-II of AJAY Scheme, SSLs with LED capacity of 12 W will be provided as per MNRE specification and 75% of the cost of SSL System will be provided through MNRE budget and the remaining 25% to be provided from MPLADS fund.
- Energy Efficiency Services limited (EESL) will be the Implementing Agency for the Ph-II of the AJAY scheme.
- Hon'ble MPs from Lok Sabha will recommend number of Solar Street Lighting Systems to be installed, villages/areas to be covered and exact location of the Solar Street Lighting Systems. Hon'ble MPs will send the recommendation to the designated officer of EESL. Hon'ble MPs will sanction MPLADS contribution of 25% based on estimated cost of SSLs and the same will be released by the concerned District Authority to EESL in accordance with MPLADS guidelines.

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- [Extension of Atal Jyoti Yojana \(AJAY\): Phase-II \(05-03-2020\)](#)
- [AJAY Phase II Scheme Status \(29-02-2020\)](#)
- [Administrative Approval for Atal Jyoti Yojana \(AJAY\): Phase-II \(18-12-2018\)](#)