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Aprava Energy completes solar electrification project in 14 villages of Madhya Pradesh

Madhya Pradesh, June 28, 2022: Aprava Energy, a diversified provider of low-carbon energy in India, has completed a solar electrification project it had undertaken in 2020 to meet the energy needs of over 3687 households around its Satpura Transco Private Ltd (STPL) transmission project in Madhya Pradesh. Aprava Energy implemented the project in partnership with SELCO Foundation in 14 villages around Seoni Malwa in Hoshangabad district and Ashta in Sehore district.

The villagers were earlier facing multiple challenges due to inconsistent power supply. These included unsafe conditions for women and children to step out of their home after sunset; non-functional streetlights; thefts; lack of road safety for drivers; limited social gatherings; power cuts in schools and anganwadis and lack of modern teaching technologies For students.

To resolve these issues, under the project, 52 solar streetlights were set up in the common areas of the villages. Basic appliances such as fans and lights in *anganwadis* were powered by solar energy. Around 7 *anganwadis* were made smarter by equipping them with digital learning tools and digital content for kids. 13 schools and anganwadis were provided with digital education kits, which made the process of teaching and learning more contemporary and interactive. The teachers in *anganwadis* and schools have been trained in handling these digital tools. The content is offered in both the local language as well as English and follows the syllabus.

Dr. Priyesh Modi, Head – Corporate Social Responsibility, Aprava Energy, said, *“Reliable supply of electricity is vital for enabling the socioeconomic development of rural India. We believe that every household and region in the country should be electrified – that too through green and sustainable energy. We are pleased that, as an action in this direction, we were able to meet the immediate needs of the communities surrounding our STPL project and make a meaningful difference in their lives.”*

The beneficiary villages include Nayagaon, Narri, Gotabarri, Nandarwara, Malapat around Seoni Malwa, and Chancharsi, Richhadiya, Kannod Mirzi, Awali Kheda, Thuriya, Kitya, Deosiralya, Sonkhedi, JanjalKhedi around Ashta. The solutions implemented under the initiative generate approximately 13.9 MWh/year of solar power and lead to a reduction in carbon emissions to the tune of approximately 11.2 tonnes per year.



About Aprava Energy

Aprava Energy is a diversified power company, jointly owned by the CLP Group – one of the largest investor-owned power businesses in Asia – and Caisse de dépôt et placement du Québec (CDPQ) – a global investment group. Founded in 2002, Aprava Energy has evolved from being a single-asset company to a forward-looking, climate-conscious organization. Its diverse portfolio comprises 3,150 MW of installed capacity which includes 924 MW of wind and 250 MW of solar energy projects across seven states, as well as a power transmission asset.

Going ahead, the Mumbai-based company will only invest in low-carbon growth areas, including renewable energy, power transmission and distribution, as well as other non-generation, customer-focused energy businesses.

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