

We welcome the probity and public scrutiny of our working : Goyal

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INVC NEWS New Delhi, Piyush Goyal, Minister of State (IC) for Power, Coal and New & Renewable Energy launched a mobile application 'Vidyut PRAVAH- Electricity, Price Availability and Highlights'" at a function here today. The mobile application provides highlights of the power availability in the country on real time basis. The Web / Mobile App provides a wealth of information pertaining to the current demand met, shortages if any, surplus power available and the prices in the Power Exchange. The real time data and comparison with previous day/year data is also available. Data from multiple sources, including the States and Power Exchanges, has been made available through a single portal for convenience of all. A user friendly interface, based on the Geographical map of India, facilitates all the consumers /stakeholders in visualization of the power availability and prices at the overall country level and at States/UTs level. The information disseminated through the Application will empower the consumer, thereby leading all the stakeholders to be more responsive and efficient, bringing more economy to the country. Speaking on the occasion, Shri Piyush Goyal said that the app will empower common people to demand 24X7 power from the states. He further said that this application will take transparency to the next level and make state governments more accountable. The Minister added that this app will work as manifestation of Prime Minister's vision of good governance via inculcating transparency in the system and will put pressure on power producers across the country. Referring to the need of monitoring of the government functioning, Shri Goyal said that we welcome the probity and public scrutiny of our working . Shri Piyush Goyal also interacted with power secretaries of several states and Union Territories via video conferencing at the event. The Power secretaries appreciated Central Government's initiative for bringing transparency. Few gave valuable suggestions for enhancing the features of mobile application like adding renewable power obligation and window for power surplus states for selling excess power to the mobile application. On the occasion , the Minister felicitated Ritu Bhatnagar from Bangalore for providing 'Vidyut PRAVAH- name for the mobile application. For adopting name of mobile application, Ministry of Power held a competition on <https://mygov.in/>. More than 1600 entries were received, out of which the best caption is selected as name of the application. Shri Piyush Goyal felicitated Ms. Ritu Bhatnagar from Bangalore for winning the competition and providing "Vidyut PRAVAH" name to the application.

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