

Electrification of villages in Bihar

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Will the Minister of ENERGY be pleased to refer to the answer to Unstarred Question 88 given in the Rajya Sabha on the 24th April, 1989 and state how many villages in Bihar have so far

been electrified and how it compares with the progress of village electrification in other States and Union Territories?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF POWER IN THE MINISTRY OF ENERGY (SHRI KALPNATH RAI): In Bihar, 43,746 villages (64.8 per cent of the total) have been electrified as on 31-3-1989. A Statement indicating State-wise electrification of villages is enclosed.

Statement
Total number of villages & villus electrified as on 31-3-1989.

SI. No.	States/UTs	Total No. of villages (1981 census)	Villages electrified as on 31-3-1989	%age
1.	Andhra Pradesh	27379	26760 (a)	97.7
2.	Arunachal Pradesh.....'	3257	1172	36.0
3	Assam		19545	88.9
4	Bihar		43746 (*)	64.8
5	Goa		377 (+)	100.0
6	Gujarat		17892 (+)	100.70
7.	Haryana.....	6745	6745	100.0
8.	Himachal Pradesh.....	16807	16761 (+)	100.70
9.	Jammu & Kashmir.....	6477	6074 (*)	93.8
10.	Karnataka.....',	27028	26441 (b)	97.8
11	Kerala		1219	100.0
12.	Madhya Pradesh.....	71352	55956 (*)	78.4
13.	Maharashtra.....	39354	39106 (+)	100.0
14.	Manipur.....	2035	1057 (*)	51.9
15.	Meghalaya	4902	1937 (*)	39.5
16.	Mizoram.....	721.	307	42.6
17.	Nagaland	1112	1097 (a)	98.7
18.	Orissa	46553	28903 (a) (*)	62.1
19.	Punjab.....	12342	12342	100.0
20.	Rajasthan.....•	34968	24373	69.7
21.	Sikkim.....	440	330 (a)	75.0
22.	Tamil Nadu.....	15831	15811	99.9
23.	Tripura 856 (4727 as 1971 per census)		2454 (*)	51.9
24.	UttarPradesh.....	1125566	78044 (a)	69.3
25.	West Bengal	38024	24751	65.1
Total (states)			453200	78.4
Total (UTs)			1088	96.9
Total (AU-India)			454288	78.4

(£) 1981 census was not held (a)—As on 28-2-1989.

(*)—Achievement as per 1971 census (b)—As on 31-1-1989.

(+)—Balance villages non-feasible.