

**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 & villages electrified as on 31-3-1989.

Sl. 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	21995 (€)	19545	88.9
4.	Bihar	67546	43746 (*)	64.8
5.	Goa	386	377 (+)	100.0
6.	Gujarat	18114	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	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.	Uttar Pradesh	1125566	78044 (a)	69.3
25.	West Bengal	38024	24751	65.1
Total (States)		578009	453200	78.4
Total (UTs)		1123	1088	96.9
Total (All-India)		579132	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.