

**Power supply in villages covered under RGGVY**

1611. SHRIMATI SHOBHANA BHARTIA:

SHRI N.K. SINGH:

Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

- (a) whether about 22,419 villages across the country that are shown as the beneficiaries of the Rajiv Gandhi Grameen Vidyutikaran Yojana (RGGVY) by being electrified or connected to the grid, are yet to get any power supply;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the steps being taken to ensure that villages under the scheme are being provided electricity from the State or power distribution companies; and
- (d) by when, this is proposed to be done?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER (SHRI BHARATSINH SOLANKI):

(a) and (b) Under Rajiv Gandhi Grameen Vidyutikaran Yojana (RGGVY), as on 15.07.2010, the electrification works in 81,574 un/de-electrified villages have been completed and out of which 61,164 villages have been energized. Energization of newly electrified villages is an ongoing process.

(c) and (d) Supply of power is the responsibility of State Power Utilities. For projects to be eligible for capital subsidy under RGGVY, prior commitment of the States is obtained before sanction of projects for a minimum daily supply of 6-8 hours of electricity in the villages covered under RGGVY. Ministry of Power and Rural Electrification Corporation (REC), the nodal agency for RGGVY have regularly been conducting review meetings to monitor the progress of RGGVY works including energisation of villages.

**Shifting of NTPC power plant from UP to MP**

1612. SHRI ISHWAR SINGH: Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) whether the National Thermal Power Corporation (NTPC) has decided to shift its proposed 3500 MW Mega Power Project in Bundelkhand in Uttar Pradesh (UP) to adjoining site at Bareilly in Madhya Pradesh (MP);