

Rural electrification in Bihar

†1366. SHRI UPENDRA KUSHWAHA: Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the electrification work in Bihar under the Rajiv Gandhi Grameen Vidyutikaran Yojana is lagging far behind as compared to other States;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor; and

(c) the efforts being made for expediting the same?

THE MINISTER OF POWER (SHRI SUSHILKUMAR SHINDE): (a) and (b) Under Rajiv Gandhi Grameen Vidyutikaran Yojana (RGGVY), 43 projects covering electrification of 23211 un/de-electrified villages and release of electricity connections to 2762455 BPL households have been sanctioned in Bihar. Out of which, as on 31.10.2010, the electrification works in 19896 un/de-electrified villages have been completed and connections to 1439738 BPL households have been released in Bihar under RGGVY. As on 31.10.2010, the progress of electrification of un/de-electrified villages and release of BPL connections in Bihar as compared to other states is enclosed as Statement (See below).

(c) Government of India has taken following steps for effective implementation of RGGVY:

- (i) Government of India has set up an inter-Ministerial Monitoring Committee which periodically meets to sanction projects and review progress of implementation.
- (ii) States have been advised to set up district committees to monitor the progress of rural electrification works. All the states have notified formation of district committees.
- (iii) The States have also been requested by this Ministry to hold monthly meeting under the Chairmanship of Chief Secretary to resolve the bottlenecks in implementation of RGGVY.
- (iv) The Government of India and Rural Electrification Corporation (REC), the nodal agency for RGGVY, conduct frequent review meetings with all the stakeholders; the concerned State Governments, state power utilities and implementing agencies for expeditious implementation of the scheme as per the agreed schedules.

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- (v) For speedier and effective implementation of projects, their execution has been taken up on turnkey basis.
- (vi) To ensure qualitative execution of rural electrification works, a three tier quality control mechanism has been enforced under RGGVY.
- (vii) Grant amount of BPL connection has been enhanced to Rs. 2200/- in XI Plan from Rs. 1500/- in X Plan.
- (viii) To take care of the cost escalation, cost norms for village electrification has been revised upward under XI Plan as given below:

Cost norms for village electrification

1.	Electrification of un-electrified village	Cost per village (Rs. in lakhs)
a	In normal terrain	13
b	In hilly, tribal, desert areas	18

Statement

Progress of electrification of un/de-electrified villages and release of BPL connections in Bihar as compared to other States under RGGVY

(As on 31.10.2010)

Sl.No.	Name of States	Electrification of Un-/De-Electrified villages		No. of Connections to BPL Households	
		Coverage in No.	Achievement in No.(%)	Coverage in No.	Achievement in No.(%)
1	2	3	4	5	6
1	Andhra Pradesh	0	0(0.0%)	2592140	2522349(97.3%)
2	Arunachal Pradesh	2129	431(20.2%)	40810	6426(15.7%)
3	Assam	8525	3817(44.8%)	991656	452999(45.7%)
4	Bihar	23211	19896(85.7%)	2762455	1439738(52.1%)
5	Chhattisgarh	1132	100(8.8%)	777165	344171(44.3%)
6	Gujarat	0	0(0.0%)	955150	586222(61.4%)

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7	Haryana	0	0(0.0%)	224073	170138(75.9%)
8	Himachal Pradesh	93	11(11.8%)	12448	680(5.5%)
9	Jammu & Kashmir	283	101(35.7%)	136730	26313(19.2%)
10	Jharkhand	19737	14817(75.1%)	1691797	944261(55.8%)
11	Karnataka	132	59(44.7%)	891939	758033(85.0%)
12	Kerala	0	0(0.0%)	56351	17238(30.6%)
13	Madhya Pradesh	806	204(25.3%)	1376242	241456(17.5%)
14	Maharashtra	6	0(0.0%)	1876391	896042(47.8%)
15	Manipur	882	163(18.5%)	107369	7175(6.7%)
16	Meghalaya	1943	146(7.5%)	116447	25367(21.8%)
17	Mizoram	137	25(18.2%)	27417	5489(20.0%)
18	Nagaland	105	43(41.0%)	69900	9160(13.1%)
19	Orissa	17895	9652(53.9%)	3185863	1386389(43.5%)
20	Punjab	0	0(0.0%)	148860	33926(22.8%)
21	Rajasthan	4454	3322(74.6%)	1750118	828807(47.4%)
22	Sikkim	25	14(56.0%)	11458	4880(42.6%)
23	Tamil Nadu	0	0(0.0%)	545511	498602(91.4%)
24	Tripura	160	56(35.0%)	194730	47375(24.3%)
25	Uttar Pradesh	30802	27752(90.1%)	1120648	870864(77.7%)
26	Uttarakhand	1469	1497(101.9%)	281615	221953(78.8%)
27	West Bengal	4573	4164(91.1%)	2699734	836939(31.0%)
Total of All States		118499	86270(72.8%)	24645017	13182992(53.5%)

Andaman & Nicobar Islands, Chandigarh, Dadra & Nagar Haveli, Daman & Diu, Delhi, Goa, Lakshadweep, Puducherry are not participating in RGGVY programme.