

### 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.