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ELECTRIFICATION OF RURAL HOUSEHOLDS

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Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

- (a) the total number of households provided electricity under the Rajiv Gandhi Grameen Vidyutikaran Yojana (RGGVY) so far, State-wise;
- (b) whether under the scheme electricity has been provided to only ten percent households living below poverty line;
- (c) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;
- (d) whether under the RGGVY there is provision for building infrastructure for electrification of all the non-electrified villages and installation of transformers having adequate capacity in every village; and
- (e) if so, the reasons for installing transformers having the capacity of 16 and 25 KVA only in various States in the country under the scheme?

Answer

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

- (a): As on 31st March, 2010, 100,97,026 BPL households have been provided free electricity connections under Rajiv Gandhi Grameen Vidyutikaran Yojana (RGGVY). The State-wise details are given at Annex.
- (b) & (c): As per new definition of village electrification, the number of households electrified should be at least 10% of the total number of households in the village to declare the village as an electrified village. All the villages are being electrified as per the new definition of RGGVY. The number of BPL households provided electricity connections are as per the provision made in the sanctioned Detailed Project Report (DPR). On the unelectrified BPL Households are provided free electricity connection.
- (d) & (e): Yes, Madam, under RGGVY, there is a provision for building infrastructure for electrification of all the non-electrified villages and installation of transformers in the village. The number and size of the transformers is based on the number of connections to be provided in the village. A number of 16 and 25 KVA capacity transformers are installed instead of bigger capacity transformer to reduce Transmission and Distribution (T&D) losses.