

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
NEW AND RENEWABLE ENERGY
LOK SABHA**

STARRED QUESTION NO:152
ANSWERED ON:19.11.2010
ELECTRIFICATION OF REMOTE VILLAGES
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Will the Minister of NEW AND RENEWABLE ENERGY be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government proposes to provide electricity to 10,000 remote villages and hamlets in inaccessible, far flung areas across the country using renewable energy sources by March, 2012;
- (b) if so, the details thereof alongwith the expenditure likely to be incurred thereon;
- (c) the total number of remote villages identified for the purpose in the country, State-wise;
- (d) whether the Government has signed any agreement / Memorandum of Understanding with foreign countries / companies in this regard;
- (e) if so, the details thereof; and
- (f) the time by which all the remote villages / hamlets in the country are likely to be electrified?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF NEW AND RENEWABLE ENERGY (DR. FAROOQ ABDULLAH)

(a),(b),(c),(d),(e)&(f): A statement is laid on the Table of the House.

Statement

Statement Referred to in Reply to Parts (a), (b), (c), (d) , (e) & (f) of the Lok Sabha Starred Question No. 152 to be answered on 19th November, 2010

(a),(b)&(c): The Ministry is implementing Remote Village Electrification Programme for providing financial support for lighting / basic electrification in those remote unelectrified census villages and unelectrified hamlets of electrified census villages where grid extension is not found feasible by the State Governments and hence are not covered under the Rajiv Gandhi Gramin Vidyutikaran Yojna. A target for coverage of 10000 such villages and hamlets has been set for the Remote Village Electrification Programme for 11th Plan Period at a total estimated outlay of Rs. 600 crores. A total number of 8874 remote villages / hamlets have so far been shortlisted by the concerned state governments which have also been endorsed by the Rural Electrification Corporation for non-coverage under the Rajiv Gandhi Gramin Vidyutikaran Yojana, for coverage under Remote Village Electrification Programme. State-wise details are given in Table-I.

(d)&(e): No Memorandum of Understanding / Agreement have been signed in this regard.

(f): State Implementing Agencies have been advised to submit proposals for eligible villages and hamlets as soon as possible for financial support by this Ministry.

Table-I

Table-I Referred to in Reply to Part (a) ,(b)&(c)

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List of the remote unelectrified census villages / hamlets as identified by Rural Electrification Corporation (REC) for Remote Village Electrification Programme

S. No. State Number of villages / hamlets verified by REC
Villages Hamlets

1. Karnataka	23	150
2. Madhya Pradesh	972	
3. Assam	2232	
4. Maharashtra	362	
5. Meghalaya	158	
6. Arunachal Pradesh	145	
7. Himachal Pradesh	1	
8. Rajasthan	417	
9. Manipur	166	
10. West Bengal	93	
11. Gujarat	49	
12. Orissa	616	
13. Jharkhand	585	
14. Chhatisgarh	1112	
15. Uttarakhand	178	29
16. Uttar Pradesh	61	138
17. Tamil Nadu	0	73
18. Nagaland	11	
19. Jammu & Kashmir	316	90
20. Haryana	0	149
21. Kerala	0	73
22. Bihar	80	
23. Andhra Pradesh	0	112
24. Tripura	23	460
TOTAL	7600	1274
Grand Total	8874	