

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
POWER
LOK SABHA**

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ELECTRIFICATION OF VILLAGES
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Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

- (a) whether a number of villages in the tribal and hilly areas in the country have not been electrified so far;
- (b) if so, the details thereof, State-wise;
- (c) the funds allocated and utilized by the States for the same during Eleventh Five Year Plan, year-wise; and
- (d) the steps taken by the Government for electrification of such unelectrified villages?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER (SHRI K.C. VENUGOPAL)

(a) to (d): As per census 2001, the total number of inhabited villages were 5,93,732 in the country, 4,74,162 villages were electrified and 1,19,570 villages did not have electricity. Based on Detailed Project Reports (DPRs) received from State Governments, under Rajiv Gandhi Grameen Viduytikaran Yojana (RGGVY), 576 projects for electrification of 1,10,886 un/de- electrified villages were sanctioned during 10th and 11th Plan in the country including tribal and hilly areas. Cumulatively, as on 31.03.2012, the electrification works in 1,04,496 un/de- electrified villages including tribal and hilly areas have been completed. The details of villages covered and electrified, State-wise, is at Annex-I. In addition to 576 projects, 69 projects (33 news projects and 36 supplementary projects) have also been sanctioned under Phase-II of RGGVY in November/December 2011 for electrification of 1587 un/de- electrified villages in the country including tribal and hilly areas. There is no upfront allocation of funds for any State/district under RGGVY. Funds are released against sanctioned projects in instalments based on the reported utilization of amount in the previous instalment(s) and fulfillment of other conditionalities. The details of funds released under RGGVY during the 11th Plan period, state-wise, are at Annex-II.