

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
POWER  
LOK SABHA**

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FUNDS TO WEST BENGAL UNDER RGGVY  
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**Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the funds have been released to West Bengal under the Rajiv Gandhi Grameen Vidyutikaran Yojana (RGGVY) during the 12th Five Year Plan;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the details of the households including the Below Poverty Line (BPL) households electrified in the Howrah region of West Bengal under RGGVY till date?

**Answer**

THE MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) OF THE MINISTRY OF POWER ( SHRI JYOTIRADITYA M. SCINDIA )

(a) & (b) :Under Rajiv Gandhi Grameen Vidyutikaran Yojana (RGGVY), during 12th Five Year Plan i.e. during 2012-13 and 2013-14, subsidy amount of Rs.7.68 crore has been released by Rural Electrification Corporation (REC), the nodal agency for RGGVY, to Powergrid (PGCIL), the Implementing Agency, against West Midnapur supplementary project of West Bengal sanctioned under 11th Five Year Plan.

(c) :Under RGGVY, the project of district Howrah, West Bengal was sanctioned during 11th Five Year Plan, covering release of free electricity connections to 55,396 Below Poverty Line (BPL) households. As on 31.07.2013, free electricity connections to 55,297 BPL households have been released under the scheme.