

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
POWER
LOK SABHA**

STARRED QUESTION NO:528
ANSWERED ON:30.04.2015
ELECTRIFICATION OF VILLAGES
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Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

- (a) whether a large number of villages in the country are still unelectrified and if so, the details thereof along with the action taken thereon, State-wise;
- (b) the funds allocated and utilised for rural electrification purpose during each of the last three years;
- (c) the duration for which power supply is being provided to farmers for agricultural purpose, State-wise;
- (d) whether certain States are implementing rural feeder segregation programme; and
- (e) if so, the details of such programme along with the success achieved by them in improving the availability and quality of power supply in rural areas as a result thereof?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) FOR POWER, COAL AND NEW & RENEWABLE ENERGY (SHRI PIYUSH GOYAL)

(a) to (e) : A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (e) OF STARRED QUESTION NO. 528 TO BE ANSWERED IN THE LOK SABHA ON 30.04.2015 REGARDING ELECTRIFICATION OF VILLAGES.

(a) : Government of India had launched the erstwhile Rajiv Gandhi Grameen Vidyutikaran Yojana for creation of Rural Electricity Infrastructure in April 2005. So far, 921 projects have been sanctioned in the country during the X, XI and XII Plan. As on 31.03.2015, electrification works in 1.10 lakh un-electrified villages and intensive electrification of 3.15 lakh villages have been completed. State-wise details are at Annex-I.

Further, the Government of India has approved Deen Dayal Upadhyaya Gram Jyoti Yojana (DDUGJY) in December, 2014 with an outlay of Rs. 43033 crore. The erstwhile RGGVY has been subsumed into DDUGJY as RE component of the scheme. Under the scheme, all un-electrified villages/habitations irrespective of population criterion can be covered for electrification in accordance with the guidelines of the scheme.

Under the scheme, Detailed Project Reports (DPRs) for Rs.8853.12 crores relating to villages/households electrification have already been approved.

(b) : Details of fund allocation and capital subsidy disbursed under the erstwhile RGGVY including DDUGJY during last three years are as follows:

| Rs. in crore | | | | |
|--------------|---------|---------------------|----------------|--|
| Sl. No. | Year | Allocation of Funds | Funds Released | |
| 1. | 2012-13 | 2492.02 | 697.94 | |
| 2. | 2013-14 | 3137.65 | 2938.52 | |
| 3. | 2014-15 | 3386.38 | 3374.41 | |

(c) : The data regarding duration of power supply to farmers for agriculture purpose is not available. However, the average power supply in rural areas varies between States. State-wise details of average power supply for the month of February, 2015, are at Annex-II.

(d) & (e) :Andhra Pradesh, Gujarat, Haryana, Madhya Pradesh, Maharashtra, Punjab and Rajasthan are implementing rural feeder segregation programme under their own State Schemes.

Recently, the Government of India has launched Deen Dayal Upadhyaya Gram Jyoti Yojana (DDUGJY) with the objectives of feeder

segregation and strengthening of sub-transmission and distribution systems in the rural areas. Under DDUGJY, Rs. 2845.96 crores have so far been allocated for feeder separation in Uttar Pradesh, Madhya Pradesh, West Bengal, Tamil Nadu and Himachal Pradesh.