GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OFNEW AND RENEWABLE ENERGY RAJYA SABHA

QUESTION NO06.12.2010

ANSWERED ON

ELECTRIFICATION OF REMOTE VILLAGES AND HAMLETS.

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Will the Minister of NEW AND RENEWABLE ENERGY be pleased to state :-

- (a)whether 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 along with the expenditure likely to be incurred thereon;
- (c)the number of villages identified for the purpose, State-wise;
- (d)whether Government has signed any agreement / MoU with foreign countries / companies in this regard;
- (e)if so, the details thereof; and
- (f) by when 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 Referred to in Reply to Parts (a), (b), (c), (d), (e) & (f) of the Rajya Sabha Starred Question No. 376 to be answered on 06 December, 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 Referred to in Reply to Parts(a) ,(b)&(c) Lok Sabha Starred Question No. 376 due for Answer on 06 December, 2010

List of the remote unelectrifed census villages / hamlets as identified by Rural

Electrification Corporation (REC) for Remote Village Electrification Programme

S.No. State Number of villages/hamlets indentified 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