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RAJYA SABHA

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ANSWERED ON

RURAL ELECTRIFICATION IN ANDHRA PRADESH .

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Will the Minister of COALPOWER be pleased to state :-

- (a) the number of projects sanctioned under the Rajiv Gandhi Grameen Vidyutikaran Yojana in Andhra Pradesh, especially in East Godavari district;
- (b) the number and details of unelectrified villages which have been electrified in the State since the launch of the scheme; and
- (c) the steps being taken to ensure that BPL families get connection free of cost under the scheme?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER

(SHRI BHARATSINH SOLANKI)

(a) :Under Rajiv Gandhi Grameen Vidyutikaran Yojana(RGGVY), 26 projects of Andhra Pradesh covering intensive electrification of 27481 electrified villages and release of free electricity connections to 25,92,140 Below Poverty Line(BPL) households with an outlay of Rs. 840.09 crore have been sanctioned.

The RGGVY project of East Godavari of Andhra Pradesh was sanctioned under XI Plan with project cost of Rs. 8021.12 lakh covering intensive electrification of 1,323 electrified villages and release of free electricity connections to 2,45,334 households. The projects are under implementation. Cumulatively, as on 15.11.2010, the intensive electrification in 448 electrified villages have been completed, free electricity connections to 1,11,508 BPL households have been released and an amount of Rs. 6256.48 lakh has been released in the district East Godavari of Andhra Pradesh.

(b) :In Andhra Pradesh, all the villages were electrified prior to launch of RGGVY and hence, no un-electrified village has been covered for electrification under RGGVY. However, 27481 already electrified villages have been covered for their intensive electrification.

(c) :Under RGGVY, free electricity connections are provided to BPL households. Under RGGVY, as on 15.11.2010, free electricity connections to 25,26,203 BPL households have been released to eligible BPL families in Andhra Pradesh against the sanctioned coverage of 25,92,140 BPL connections.