

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF POWER
RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.639
ANSWERED ON 07.02.2023

UN-ELECTRIFIED VILLAGES IN INDIA

639 DR. AMEE YAJNIK:

Will the Minister of **POWER**
be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that even after 75 years of independence, many villages such as Raghnesda village of Banaskantha (Gujarat), Kupgarh, Khiria Bharka village of Ashoknagar (Madhya Pradesh) etc. have not been electrified;
- (b) if so, the details of such un-electrified villages, along with the reasons for un-electrification and the time-frame for electrification, State-wise; and
- (c) whether Government has set up a mechanism to monitor and achieve 100 per cent electrification in remote villages and tribal areas, if so, the details thereof?

A N S W E R

THE MINISTER OF POWER AND NEW & RENEWABLE ENERGY

(SHRI R.K. SINGH)

(a) to (c) : Government of India launched Deen Dayal Upadhyaya Gram Jyoti Yojana (DDUGJY), in December, 2014 for strengthening the distribution systems including separation of agriculture and non-agriculture feeders, strengthening and augmentation of sub-transmission & distribution infrastructure, metering of distribution transformers/feeders/consumers and electrification of villages across the country. The erstwhile Rajiv Gandhi Grameen Vidyutikaran Yojana (RGGVY) was subsumed under DDUGJY. As reported by the States, all the inhabited un-electrified villages as per Census 2011 were electrified by 28th April, 2018 across the country under DDUGJY. A total of 18,374 villages were electrified under this scheme. This scheme got closed as on 31.03.2022.

As reported by the States of Gujarat and Madhya Pradesh, Census village Raghnesda of Banaskantha, Gujarat and Census villages Kupgarh, Khiria Bharka of Ashoknagar, Madhya Pradesh stand electrified.
