

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF POWER**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.2860
TO BE ANSWERED ON 04.01.2018**

ELECTRIFICATION OF VILLAGES IN ODISHA

2860. SHRI BAIJAYANT JAY PANDA:

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

- (a) whether the Union Government maintains any data on the level of electrification in rural and urban parts of the country;**
- (b) if so, the percentage of villages that have been electrified across the country;**
- (c) whether the Government is aware of the level of electrification in Odisha and if so, the details thereof; and**
- (d) the level of intensification of villages across the country apart from electrification and the level of intensification in Odisha?**

A N S W E R

**THE MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) FOR POWER AND
NEW & RENEWABLE ENERGY**

(SHRI R. K. SINGH)

(a): The State Governments/Distribution Companies are the primary custodian of electrification related data. Information regarding the electrification of the villages is obtained from the State Governments. Web portals www.garv.gov.in and www.saubhagya.gov.in, have been developed by Rural Electrification Corporation (REC) Ltd., the nodal agency for implementation of Deen Dayal Upadhyaya Gram Jyoti Yojana (DDUGJY) and Pradhan Mantri Sahaj Bijli Har Ghar Yojana (SAUBHAGYA), for monitoring the electrification of un-electrified villages & households respectively. In the web portal, data of electrification of villages/households is updated by the concerned State DISCOMs for use by all the stakeholders and dissemination of information to public for bringing in transparency in the system.

(b): As reported by States, there were 18,452 un-electrified census villages in the country as on 01 April, 2015. Out of these, 15,981 villages have been electrified by 31st December, 2017.

(c): As informed by the Government of Odisha, there were 3,474 un-electrified census villages as on 01.04.2015; of these, 2,858 villages have been electrified up to 31.12.2017.

(d): Under Deen Dayal Upadhyaya Gram Jyoti Yojana (DDUGJY), against the total coverage of intensive electrification (creation of additional infrastructure in already electrified villages) of 7,80,464 electrified villages across the country, electrification works in 4,77,799 villages have been completed, as on 31.12.2017. Similarly, against the total coverage of intensive electrification of 73,745 electrified villages in Odisha, electrification works in 35,507 villages have been completed as on 31.12.2017.
