GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF NEW AND RENEWABLE ENERGY LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 58 ANSWERED ON 20.07.2023

VILLAGES ELECTRIFIED BY NEW AND RENEWABLE ENERGY SOURCES

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

(a) the number of villages electrified by new and renewable energy sources in the country during the last three years and the current year, State-wise;

(b) the number of cities in the North Eastern States electrified by new and renewable energy sources along with the quantum of funds spent on it;

(c) whether the Government proposes for electrification of the houses/settlements of

labourers of various tea gardens under new and renewable energy schemes in Assam; (d) if so, the details thereof; and

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(e) the quantum of funds allocated by the Government for the said purpose and the time by which it is likely to be implemented?

ANSWER THE MINISTER OF NEW & RENEWABLE ENERGY AND POWER

(SHRI R.K. SINGH)

(a) Under Deendayal Upadhyaya Gram Jyoti Yojana (DDUGJY), all inhabited un-electrified villages were targeted to be electrified and as reported by the States, all the inhabited un-electrified villages, across the country, as per Census, 2011 stood electrified as on 28th April, 2018. A total of 18,374 inhabited Census villages were electrified under the DDUGJY, and out of these, 2762 villages were reported electrified through Off-Grid mode.

(b) MNRE has requested all States/Union Territories, including North Eastern States, to select at least one city to be developed as a solar city. A concept note on developing solar cities was circulated to the States/UTs with a request to finalise an action plan for the development of the cities identified as solar cities and implement the plan in a time-bound manner. There is no separate fund allocation for the solar city programme and the funds available under the different existing schemes are to be converged for the development of solar cities. Following cities have been identified in the North Eastern States to be developed as solar cities:

Name of City/Cities	State
Majuli	Assam
TURA Town of West Garo Hills	Meghalaya
Jorethang	Sikkim
Udaipur Town	Tripura
Saitual	Mizoram
Dimapur and Kohima	Nagaland

(c) to (e) Presently, there is no such proposal.