

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
POWER
LOK SABHA**

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RAJIV GANDHI GRAMIN VIDYUTIKARAN YOJANA
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Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Rajiv Gandhi Gramin Vidyutikaran Yojana was found to be economically unviable by the Planning Commission; and
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the corrective measures proposed to be taken?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF POWER (SHRI SUSHILKUMAR SHINDE)

(a) & (b) : Rajiv Gandhi Grameen Vidyutikaran Yojana is already under implementation since April, 2005. The programme is revenue sustainable as it takes care of revenue flow by giving the management of rural distribution to franchisee who can be non-governmental organization, user associations, cooperatives or individual entrepreneurs. Bulk Supply Tariff for the franchisee will be determined after ensuring commercial viability of the franchisee. Already, a few states have initiated action on installation of franchisee.