

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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RURAL ELECTRIFICATION PROGRAMME
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Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the National Thermal Power Corporation (NTPC) has been assigned any role to accelerate the Rural Electrification Programme in the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the number of villages electrified by NTPC so far, State-wise?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER (SHRI SUSHILKUMAR SHINDE)

(a) & (b) : Yes Sir. Execution of rural electrification works under Rajiv Gandhi Grameen Vidyutikaran Yojana (RGGVY) in 29 districts of Chhattisgarh, Madhya Pradesh, Jharkhand, Orissa and West Bengal has been assigned to National Thermal Power Corporation (NTPC). As per the Detailed Project Reports (DPRs) received from respective State Governments, this assignment of NTPC covers electrification of 13639 un-electrified villages, re-electrification of 2277 de-electrified villages and intensive electrification of 19977 electrified villages in 27 districts so far. State-wise / District-wise details are given at Annexure.

(c) : NTPC so far has reported electrification of 83 villages in the Kharagpur block of West Medinipur district in West Bengal.