

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF POWER**

**LOK SABHA
STARRED QUESTION NO.73
TO BE ANSWERED ON 07.02.2019**

ELECTRIFICATION OF VILLAGES

***73. SHRI MALLIKARJUN KHARGE:**

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

(a) whether an estimated 3.14 crore rural households are still without electricity and majority of such villages are in Bihar, Uttar Pradesh, Assam, Jharkhand, Odisha, etc.;

(b) whether the Ministry has decided to electrify each household by April this year; and

(c) if so, the details of roadmap prepared for execution of this project and the details of expenditure to be incurred for this purpose?

A N S W E R

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

(SHRI R.K. SINGH)

(a) to (c) : A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (c) OF STARRED QUESTION NO.73 TO BE ANSWERED IN THE LOK SABHA ON 07.02.2019 REGARDING ELECTRIFICATION OF VILLAGES.

(a) to (c): As informed by the States, there are 21.30 crore households in the country; of these 21.29 crore households have been electrified up to 27.01.2019. Remaining 83,015 un-electrified households are in Chhattisgarh and Rajasthan which are aimed for electrification by March, 2019.

Government of India launched Pradhan Mantri Sahaj Bijli Har Ghar Yojana – “Saubhagya” with an allocation of Rs. 16,320 crore in order to achieve universal household electrification by providing electricity connections to all remaining un-electrified households in rural and all poor households in urban areas by March, 2019. Under Saubhagya, Government of India gives funds to the States to the extent of 60% (85% for special category States) as grant and additional grant of 15% (5% for special category States) if milestones are met.
