

Electrical connection

(i) 253 families covering 14 villages – no house connection given

Around 100 service connections out of the 253 families in 14 villages are presently disconnected since a long time, due to non payment of energy charges. No other persons have applied for electric connection. As and when they submit application, electric connection would be considered under PMGY, subject to availability of clear approach for construction overhead lines, not requiring any forest tree cutting. The cost of distribution line erected on tribal land will have to be paid by them as per existing rates.

(ii) Overhead HT and LT line passes through plantations

Underground Cabling (UG) would be around 4 to 5 times costlier than construction of overhead T&D system. At present CEA approves overhead T&D system in different schemes. New schemes for UG cabling system will have to be prepared and submitted to CEA for their technical approval before these could be implemented in such small and isolated locations having very small power requirements.

Village Street light

- (i) Funds limited to meet the electric charges and maintenance thereby in some pockets street light available upto 10 P.M.

Installation, maintenance and payment of energy charges in respect of street lights in tribal villages is not satisfactory, due to non-availability of adequate funds with District Admn., who are responsible for meetings these expenses. It is suggested that Electricity Department will arrange installation and maintenance of street lights in tribal area and will also arrange from its own fund allocation. However, the Tribal Welfare Department shall pay these amounts on quarterly basis on production of bills, which need to be examined and approved by Administration. Street lights are not available at small isolated locations where the power supply is available for limited hrs. Street