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Every Indian village now has electricity   –   2nd May, 2018

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All Indian villages now have electricity. India's Prime Minister said the final village to get electricity was connected on Sunday. Electricity was a big government promise. Mr Modi thanked everyone. He said it was a "historic day in the development...of India." He said: "the lives of...Indians will be [changed] forever".

About 18,000 villages got electricity for the first time. A village is electrified when 10 per cent of its buildings have power. Modi is happy, but there is more work to be done. The World Bank says 200 million Indians have no electricity. A newspaper said many villages still had no electricity. A villager said this was a problem.

Level 1

All Indian villages now have electricity. India's Prime Minister Narendra Modi said the final village to get electricity was a remote village in Manipur state. It got connected to the grid on Sunday. Electricity for villages was a big government promise. Mr Modi thanked everyone. He said: "April 28, 2018 will be remembered as a historic day in the development...of India....We [kept a promise]...the lives of...Indians will be [changed] forever.

Mr Modi gave 18,000 villages electricity for the first time. A village is electrified when 10 per cent of its houses and public places (including schools and health centres) have power. Modi is happy, but there is more work to be done. The World Bank says 200 million Indians still have no electricity. The "India Today" newspaper said many villages still had no electricity. A villager said this was a problem at night because it gets many elephants.

Level 2

All Indian villages now have electricity. India's Prime Minister Narendra Modi told reporters that the final village in India to get electricity was the remote Leisang village in Manipur state. It was connected to the grid on Sunday. Electrification of India's villages was a big government promise. Mr Modi thanked everyone involved in the project. He said: "April 28, 2018 will be remembered as a historic day in the development...of India....We [kept a promise], due to which, the lives of...Indians will be [changed] forever. I am delighted that every single village...has...electricity."

Mr Modi promised to give 18,000 villages electricity for the first time. He said a village is electrified when it has basic power lines and 10 per cent of its houses and public places (including schools and health centres) have power. Mr Modi is happy, but many people say there is more work to be done. The World Bank says 200 million Indians still have no electricity. The "India Today" newspaper found that many villages lacked electricity. One villager told its reporters: "The darkness creates a big problem for the village as it is frequented by elephants."

Level 3

All villages in India now have electricity. India's Prime Minister Narendra Modi made the announcement on Monday. He said the final village in the country to get electricity was the remote Leisang village in the state of Manipur. The village was connected to the grid on Sunday. Electrification of all villages in India was one of the government's biggest promises. Mr Modi thanked everyone involved in the electrification project. He tweeted: "April 28, 2018 will be remembered as a historic day in the development journey of India....We fulfilled a commitment, due to which, the lives of...Indians will be transformed forever. I am delighted that every single village of India now has access to electricity."

In 2015, PM Modi promised he would give 18,000 villages access to electricity for the first time. Mr Modi said a village is electrified when it has the basic power lines and 10 per cent of houses and public places (including schools, administrative offices and health centres) have power. While Mr Modi is happy with the progress made, many people say there is a lot more work to be done. The World Bank says 200 million Indians still lack access to electricity. The "India Today" newspaper found that many villages still lacked electricity. One villager told its reporters: "The darkness creates a big problem for the village as it is frequented by elephants."