

Villagers get power supply after 70 yrs of waiting

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Villagers from Jhamjad pada, Gorai were in for a celebration yesterday after availing long sought electricity connection. Two villagers followed up for 10 years for the same. However, eight families from the village are yet to avail electricity connection.

The village has received electricity connection after 70 years of waiting. For quite a while, the villagers accessed electrici-

ty through hooking and power theft.

"In our village five to six families availed electricity through hooking from a nearby line. Now do not have to do that," said a happy villager. Jhamdi pada is located less than 20 kms from the city.

Ishwar Nam (38) and Chandu Pared (65) who had struggled for 10 years to get electricity supply for the village, are now jubilant.

Mr Nam said, "When there was no power supply our children couldn't

study at night. Now they can study well and whenever they want. After 70 years electricity has arrived in our village. We performed a puja of the meter."

The villagers got No Objection Certificate (NOC) one and half month back.

"We went to Mantralaya, ministers, collector office and every possible office we could reach. We also wrote a letter to the Prime Minister Narendra Modi, yet nothing had happened," said

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"Because of the lack of documents they were not

getting NOC. But now we will take care of uninterrupted electricity supply," said a spokesperson from Adani Electricity Mumbai Ltd. (AEML).

"According to the rule of Maharashtra Electricity Regulatory Commission (MERC) we can not supply electricity to the households which are not built properly," said a spokesperson from AMEL.

Medical services and other facilities will be easily accessible to the villagers.