Bihar village clamours for real electricity

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The least you would expect when you bring electricity to an entire village, ending over three decades of darkness, is a 'thank you' from its residents. But no such niceties here in Dharnai, a nondescript village tucked away in the Naxal heartland of Bihar.

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