(IRC) Standards. Cement Concrete road require only routine maintenance and these are generally designed for 20 year design life as per Indian Road Congress (IRC) standards. However, the maintenance cost of Cement concrete roads is less compared to that of tar roads.

- (c) Cost of construction of cement concrete roads with conventional method is normally 30-50% more than the cost of conventional Bituminous road. New Techniques like Cement Concrete roads with Cell filled concrete are being taken up on Pilot basis. Therefore, the cost and performance of Cement Concrete roads with new technique is yet to be established.
- (d) Bituminous roads have lower initial cost compared to cement concrete roads but require both periodic and routine maintenance. Cement Concrete roads also require routine maintenance but the cost of maintenance is lower compared to bituminous roads. As per available information, reports on specific studies undertaken to assess fuel efficiency of different type of rural roads in India are not available.

Roads proposed under PMGSY in Himachal Pradesh

2566. SHRIMATI BIMLA KASHYAP SOOD: Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMET be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of roads constructed in Himachal Pradesh under Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana (PMGSY) during the years 2008-09 and 2010;
- (b) whether proposal for construction of new roads under PMGSY has been received from the State Government of Himachal Pradesh;
 - (c) the names of such roads and details thereof; and
- (d) the number of roads proposed to be constructed in Himachal Pradesh during Eleventh Five Year Plan?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI PRADEEP JAIN): (a) Under Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana (PMGSY) the number of roads constructed in Himachal Pradesh are as under:-

Year	No. of road works completed
2008-09	307
2009-10	224
2010-11 (upto June, 2010)	21

- (b) and (c) No proposal for construction of new roads under PMGSY has been received from the State Government of Himachal Pradesh in 2010-2011.
- (d) In Eleventh Five Year Plan, no State-wise target for construction of roads has been fixed.

Development of Revas-Aware Port

2567. SHRI GOVINDRAO ADIK:

SHRI ISHWARLAL SHANKARLAL JAIN:

SHRI SANJAY RAUT:

Will the Minister of SHIPPING be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that Government is planning to develop Revas-Aware Port (RAP) through Public Private Partnership (PPP) mode;
 - (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether it is also a fact that there is need for grant of right of way to Revas-Aware Port for developing an approach channel through Mumbai Port Trust waters;
 - (d) if so, whether permission has been granted in this regard; and
 - (e) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF SHIPPING (SHRI G. K. VASAN): (a) and (b) No, Sir.

(c) to (e) The matter is being examined in the Ministry.

Classification of major ports

2568. SHRI P. RAJEEVE: Will the Minister of SHIPPING be pleased to state:

- (a) whether classification of major ports are still existing in the country; and
- (b) if so, whether Government has taken any steps to remove this discrimination?

THE MINISTER OF SHIPPING (SHRI G.K. VASAN): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The proposal for decategorization of Major Ports is under examination of the Government.