

Sl.No.	State	2009-10	2010-11	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14
28.	West Bengal	230155	178832	186224	170909	92071
29.	Andaman and Nicobar	242	316	578	415	238
30.	Dadra and Nagar Haveli	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR
31.	Daman and Diu	NR	NR	NR	2	NR
32.	Lakshadweep	88	NR	NR	NR	NR
33.	Puducherry	47	NR	NR	NR	NR
TOTAL		3385619	2715453	2471421	2185773	1592367

### Construction and maintenance of rural roads in NER

897. SHRIMATI NAZNIN FARUQUE: Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether a number of proposals have been submitted by the States in the North Eastern Region for construction and maintenance of rural roads, especially by Assam;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether these proposals were considered by the Ministry; and
- (d) if so, by when these proposals would be approved?

THE MINISTER OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI CHAUDHARY BIRENDER SINGH): (a) to (d) As per the guidelines of the Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana (PMGSY), the proposals sent by the State Governments are considered in the Ministry by the Inter Ministerial Empowered Committee (EC), constituted by the Ministry of Rural Development, after due technical scrutiny by National Rural Roads Development Agency (NRRDA) for recommendation. The recommendations of the EC are made keeping in view the availability of funds, existing liability of unexecuted works which were already sanctioned under the programme, progress of works, absorption capacity of the States, works in hand, etc. The State Governments are required to communicate its compliance on the observations of the Empowered Committee to the Ministry and seek a formal clearance of road works on that basis. In case the proposals meet all the programme requirements, the proposals are formally cleared by the Ministry with the approval of the Competent Authority.

The Ministry of Rural Development has cleared 1603 number of roads measuring 8016.79 km road length amounting to ₹ 5220.72 crore to North Eastern States including Assam during the last two years including the current year (upto 31st October, 2014).