300 Written Answers to		[RAJYA SABHA]			Unstarred Questions		
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
21.	Odisha	30	1	10	19	22	82
22.	Punjab	8	0	1	1	3	13
23.	Puducherry	0	0	0	0	1.	1
24.	Rajasthan	6	1.	3	1	8	19
25.	Tamil Nadu	7	1	2	3.	4	1.7
26.	Telengana	0	0	0	0	0	Ó
27.	Tripura	0	0	1	0	4	3
28.	Uttar Pradesh	400	26	92	301	362	1181
29.	Uttarakhand	2	2.	5	5	4	18
30.	West Bengal	1	2	0	0	0	3
31.	Sikkim	0	0	0	0	1	1
	Total	881	58	209	542	554	2244

Maintenance of roads constructed under PMGSY

394. DR CHANDAN MITRA: Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that thousands of kilometers of rural roads, constructed under the Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana (PMGSY) are getting eroded every year due to poor maintenance across the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof along with the reasons for lack of provisions for maintenance of PMGSY roads; and
- (c) the fresh steps taken by Government for regular upkeep of these roads in order to ensure that the roads remains serviceable throughout their design life?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI SUDARSHAN BHAGAT): (a) and (b) No such reports have been received from the States in this regard. Implementation of Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana (PMGSY) is being done by the State Governments and after completion of the road works, maintenance is being done by the States through their own funds.

As per PMGSY Programme Guidelines, all roads will be covered under 5-years maintenance contracts to be entered into along with the construction contract, with the

same contractor, as per the Standard Bidding Document (SBD). Maintenance funds to service the contract will be budgeted by the State Government and placed at the disposal of SRRDA (State Rural Roads Development Agency) in a separate Maintenance Fund Account. On expiry of 5-years post-construction maintenance, the roads shall be placed under Zonal Maintenance Contracts consisting of 5-years, maintenance including renewal as per cycle. The State Government will make the necessary budget provision and place the funds to service the Zonal Maintenance Contracts at the disposal of the SRRDA in the Maintenance Fund Account.

(c) During Regional Review Meetings and Empowered Committee Meetings, the States are requested to have a dedicated Rural Roads Maintenance Policy and a Maintenance Management System for Rural Roads. Standard templates for Rural Roads maintenance policy and Maintenance Management Systems have been circulated to the States and necessary trainings of field engineers and contractors are also being organized on this subject.

Targets under PMGSY

- 395. SHRI HUSAIN DALWAI: Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:
- (a) the targets set under the Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana (PMGSY) during 2013-14 and 2014-15;
 - (b) how far these targets have been achieved; and
 - (c) the number of villages yet to be connected by all-weather roads, State-wise?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI SUDARSHAN BHAGAT): (a) and (b) "Rural Roads" is a State subject and Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana (PMGSY) is a one-time special intervention of Government of India to provide connectivity by way of an All- Weather road, to the eligible unconnected habitations as per Core-Network, in rural areas of country.

Under PMGSY, the targets set and the achievements made during 2013-14 and 2014-15 (upto February, 2015) are as under:-

	Completion o	Habitations	
Year (s)	Target	Completed	connected
2013-14	27,000	25,316	6,560
2014-15 (upto Feb. 2015)	21,775	30,647	9,425