

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2070
ANSWERED ON 12.03.2021

ROAD CONSTRUCTED UNDER PMGSY

2070 MS. SAROJ PANDEY:

Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of the road construction work in kilometres under the Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana (PMGSY) in rural areas of the country during the last five years;
- (b) the change in the normal life of the people after construction of these roads; and
- (c) the details of the expenditure incurred by Government for the construction of these roads?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT
(SHRI NARENDRA SINGH TOMAR)

(a) During the last five years and the current year (as on 09/03/2021), a total of 2,34,466 Km of road length has been constructed under all the verticals of Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana (PMGSY). Details of the same is given at **Annexure-I**.

(b) Various impact assessment studies that have been carried out by Independent Agencies have concluded that PMGSY has helped in better access of market place for the rural masses and generated employments in various forms. It has also helped in improving socio-economic conditions of people living around the area. Thus, it has helped in removing poverty and unemployment. The scheme has impacted agriculture, health, education, urbanization and employment generation in a big way.

An evaluation of Centrally Sponsored Schemes in Rural Development Sector, including Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana was carried out by the Development Monitoring and Evaluation Office (DMEO) of NITI Aayog in 2020. The following are the findings of this study:

- (i) Scheme is well aligned with India's International Goals and contributes to the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), as it addresses the issues of poverty, hunger and infrastructure for growth,
- (ii) Roads constructed under PMGSY have been observed to create positive impact at both at level of the household and the community,
- (iii) The roads have been observed to increase access to market and livelihood opportunities, health and education facilities.
- (iv) PMGSY is noted to build the foundations for long-lasting poverty reduction in rural India. Improved rural connectivity provides a long-term and sustained boost in the living standards of rural populations as it allows households to accumulate wealth and human capital.

(c) Under PMGSY, detail of the expenditure incurred on the construction of these roads by Government during last five years and current year is given at **Annexure-II**.

Annexure-I

Annexure referred to in reply to part (a) of the Rajya Sabha Unstarred Q.No. 2070 to be answered on 12.03.2021

Year wise details of road length constructed under all verticals of PMGSY

S.No.	Year	Road length Constructed (in Km)
1	2015-16	35,150
2	2016-17	47,435
3	2017-18	48,678
4	2018-19	49,008
5	2019-20	27,300
6	2020-21	26,895*
Total		2,34,466

* as on 09-03-2021

Annexure referred to in reply to part (c) of the Rajya Sabha Unstarred Q.No. 2070 to be answered on 12.03.2021

Year wise details of expenditure incurred by Government for the construction of roads

S. No.	Year	Expenditure* (Rs. in Crore)
1	2015-16	16,543
2	2016-17	16,093
3	2017-18	17,307
4	2018-19	23,370
5	2019-20	21,755
6	2020-21 (as on 09-03-2021)	19,175
Total		1,14,242

* Including State share
