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RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1234
TO BE ANSWERED ON 08/12/2021

RURAL ROAD NETWORK

1234 LT.GEN. (DR.) D. P. VATS (RETD.):
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Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) the total length of rural road network in the country as on 31st October, 2021;
- (b) the total number of villages/districts in the country connected by road network by end of the said period, particularly in Uttar Pradesh; and
- (c) the number of villages/districts to be covered under the current financial year?

ANSWER
MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT
(SADHVI NIRANJAN JYOTI)

(a) 'Rural Roads' is a State subject. Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana (PMGSY) was launched as a one-time special intervention to support enhancement of rural connectivity for uplifting the socio-economic condition of the rural population. As on 31st October, 2021, 7,69,396 Km road length has been sanctioned and 6,76,212 Km completed under various interventions of PMGSY.

(b) The unit for coverage under PMGSY is habitation. Against 1,78,184 habitations of the population size 250+ and 500+ identified for all-weather road connectivity under PMGSY, 16,086 habitations were provided connectivity by the States/UTs out of their own resources and 4,722 habitations were either dropped or not found feasible. Out of the balance 1,57,376 habitations sanctioned for providing connectivity under the PMGSY, 1,55,406 habitations have been provided connectivity and 1,970 habitations are balance as on 31st October, 2021. In the 100-249 population category in the Left Wing Extremism affected areas, out of 6,260 habitations sanctioned for connectivity under PMGSY, 5,796 habitations have been connected and 464 are balance as on 31st October, 2021.

In the State of Uttar Pradesh, against 11,749 habitations sanctioned for connectivity under PMGSY, 11,748 habitations have been connected as on 31st October, 2021.

(c) During the financial year 2021-22, a total of 3,037 habitations were targeted for all weather road connectivity. However, on the request of the states, the timeline to saturate these habitations has been extended to September 2022.
