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RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3154
TO BE ANSWERED ON 30.03.2022

PMGSY-III THROUGH GEOLOGICAL INDICATION

3154 MS. INDU BALA GOSWAMI:

Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government is contemplating to determine the third phase of Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana (PMGSY) through Geological Indication;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the State-wise details of the funds to be invested in the third phase of PMGSY across the country, including Himachal Pradesh; and
- (d) whether the maintenance of those roads that were constructed ten years ago is included in the third phase of PMGSY?

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

(a) & (b) Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana (PMGSY)-III was launched in the year 2019 for consolidation of 1,25,000 Km Through Routes and Major Rural Links connecting habitations, inter-alia, to Gramin Agricultural Markets (GrAMs), Higher Secondary Schools and Hospitals. The selection and verification of proposals under PMGSY-III is being assisted using Geographic Information System (GIS). The rural road network and habitations have been digitized on GIS. A geo-tagging based mobile survey was conducted to identify important rural facilities and points of interest such as schools, hospitals, and markets and were Geo-tagged.

A state of the art network planning algorithm called “Trace Map” was developed by the Ministry to identify and rank rural roads on the basis of the population depending on such roads by tracing the route from each rural habitation to its nearest facilities and then aggregating this information to identify the importance of each and every road segment across rural India.

Proposals submitted by the States are further audited using satellite imagery to verify whether road proposals are meeting objectives of PMGSY-III.

(c) PMGSY-III envisages consolidation of 1,25,000 Km Through Routes and Major Rural Links at an estimated cost of Rs. 80,250 crore. Against the allocated target of 1,25,000 Km, 77,129 Km road length has already been sanctioned at an estimated cost of Rs. 51,881 crore as per the state-wise details given in the **Annexure**. The State of Himachal Pradesh has been allocated target of 3,125 Km under PMGSY-III.

(d) As per the programme guidelines of PMGSY, maintenance of roads constructed under the programme is the responsibility of the State Governments and all road works are covered by initial five year maintenance contracts to be entered into along with the construction contract, with the same contractor, as per the Standard Bidding Document. Maintenance funds to service the contract are required to be budgeted by the State Governments and placed at the disposal of the State Rural Roads Development Agencies (SRRDAs) in a separate maintenance account. On expiry of the 5 year post construction maintenance, PMGSY roads are required to be placed under Zonal maintenance contracts consisting of 5 year maintenance including renewal as per maintenance cycle, from time to time, which are also financed by the state governments.

No roads can be taken up for consolidation under PMGSY-III before completion of 10 years of design life. PMGSY-III is for upgradation and consolidation of Through Routes and Major Rural Links meeting the programme objectives; maintenance of old roads is not covered under PMGSY-III. However, roads being constructed under PMGSY-III are to be maintained by State/UT governments as mentioned above.

Annexure referred to in reply to part (c) of Rajya Sabha Unstarred Question No 3154 due for reply on 30.03.2022

State-wise details of projects sanctioned under PMGSY-III

S.No.	Name of State	No. of roads	Road Length in Km	Bridges	Value of projects (Rs. in crore)
1	Andhra Pradesh	299	2,314	2	1,291
2	Assam	429	2,760	0	1,955
3	Bihar	169	1,390	39	1,197
4	Chhattisgarh	535	5,612	28	3,428
5	Gujarat	304	3,015	0	1,750
6	Haryana	203	1,906	0	933
7	Jharkhand	108	979	0	630
8	Karnataka	794	5,402	101	3,588
9	Kerala	143	686	0	472
10	Madhya Pradesh	986	11,391	340	7,972
11	Maharashtra	430	2,926	0	2,177
12	Odisha	985	6,478	71	4,032
13	Punjab	206	2,084	16	1,541
14	Rajasthan	611	5,821	6	3,122
15	Tamilnadu	880	3,198	0	1,817
16	Telangana	356	2,396	100	1,730
17	Uttar Pradesh	2,534	18,770	5	14,246
	Total	9,972	77,129	708	51,881