GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT

RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1426 TO BE ANSWERED ON 06/12/2024

TARGET UNDER PMGSY

1426 SHRI ASHOKRAO SHANKARRAO CHAVAN:

Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of total length of roads, in kilometers, constructed under Pradhan Mantri Gramin Sadak Yojana(PMGSY) during each of the last three years and the current year, State-wise;
- (b) whether Government has set any target regarding construction of roads under PMGSY for the next three years;
- (c) if so, the details thereof and estimated amount of expenditure likely to be incurred on the construction of the roads; and
- (d) the extent to which PMGSY has been able to strengthen and boost rural economy particularly in flung villages since its inception?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI. KAMLESH PASWAN)

- (a): The total length of roads, constructed under Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana (PMGSY) during each of the last three years and the current year, State-wise is given in Annexure.
- (b)&(c): Recently, a new vertical under PMGSY named as PMGSY-IV for providing all-weather connectivity to 25,000 unconnected habitations of 500+ population in plain areas and 250 + population in NE and Hill States/UTs, special category areas (Tribal Schedule-V, Aspirational Districts/Blocks, Desert Areas) and 100+ in Left Wing Extremism (LWE) affected districts as per Census 2011. The scheme will be implemented from 2024-25 to 2028-29 with a total outlay of Rs. 70,125 crore with a target to provide connectivity to 25,000 unconnected habitations.
- (d): PMGSY is a one-time special intervention by the central government to improve the rural infrastructure by constructing roads. PMGSY has been instrumental in transforming rural connectivity in India since its inception. A total of 7,68,892.47 Km of road length have been constructed at an expenditure of ₹ 3,29,123.01 crore till 02.12.2024. Various impact evaluation studies carried out by some prominent organisations have concluded that PMGSY has a positive impact on the rural economy of far-flung rural areas, some of which are given below:
- (i) An evaluation of Centrally Sponsored Schemes in the rural development sector, including PMGSY was carried out by the Development Monitoring and Evaluation Office (DMEO) of NITI Aayog in 2020. The main findings are:

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- 1. The scheme is well aligned with India's international goals and is seen to contribute to SDGs (Sustainable Development Goals) 2 and 9 as it addresses poverty, hunger, and infrastructure for growth.
- 2. Roads constructed under PMGSY have been observed to create positive impacts at both at level of the household and the community.
- 3. The roads have been observed to increase access to market and livelihood opportunities, health and education facilities.
- 4. 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.
- (ii) The main findings under impact evaluation of PMGSY, conducted in 2018 by the World Bank, are as follows:
 - 1. The crops taken to the markets for sale from PMGSY roads increased by 8%.
 - 2. Farmers selling food grains traveled 7.2 to 9.8 Km farther for the higher price of crops
 - 3. The rate of primary employment in the non-farm sector increased by about 13%
 - 4. The share of people with primary employment outside their habitation increased by 8%
 - 5. The share of babies delivered at home decreased by 30% in connected habitations.

Annexure referred to in reply to part (a) of Rajya Sabha Unstarred Question 1426 due for reply on 06-12-2024

The road length constructed (in Km) during the last three years & the current year (as of 2.12.2024), under PMGSY, are as under:-

S. No.	State	2021-2022	2022-2023		2024-2025 (as on 2.12.2024)
1	Andaman and Nicobar Islands	14	31	43	0
2	Andhra Pradesh	1,282	1,051	369	97
3	Arunachal Pradesh	598	1,183	303	141
4	Assam	2,164	624	610	126
5	Bihar	1,862	1,961	2,251	773
6	Chhattisgarh	3,034	670	201	191
	Goa	0	0	0	0
8	Gujarat	1,009	824	619	109
9	Haryana	1,384	414	344	82
10	Himachal Pradesh	1,624	1,126	317	446
11	Jammu and Kashmir	3,278	464	956	574
12	Jharkhand	995	1,053	1,431	514
13	Karnataka	2,560	1,629	457	110
14	Kerala	67	133	261	90
15	Madhya Pradesh	4,444	3,732	910	261
16	Maharashtra	199	1,133	1,570	685
17	Manipur	684	1,340	59	27
18	Meghalaya	826	481	399	96
19	Mizoram	346	192	149	2
20	Nagaland	198	69	132	2
21	Odisha	2,819	2,668	2,589	427
22	Puducherry	0	38	24	0
23	Punjab	289	453	956	294
24	Rajasthan	3,255	544	1,669	851
25	Sikkim	141	282	94	15
26	Tamil Nadu	2,063	847	985	74
27	Tripura	172	123	112	18
28	Uttar Pradesh	3,368	5,011	6,799	2,094
29	Uttarakhand	2,061	904	594	184
30	West Bengal	526	123	362	283
31	Telangana	631	496	493	92
32	Ladakh	109	139	41	35
Total		42,004	29,739	26,099	8,695

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