GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT

RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 773 TO BE ANSWERED ON 27.07.2015

WORK UNDER PMGSY IN BIHAR

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Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government had resolved to link all the villages with a population of 500 with the metalled roads under the Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana (PMGSY):
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether it is a fact that the work has been lying pending for many years for want of funds under PMGSY for certain roads like the road from Ram Nagar mor to Pakadiya mor via Sudiyahi in Ram Nagar Panchayat under Phulparas Block in Madhubani district in Bihar which is under construction for four years but the roads have not yet been metalled; and
- (d) if so, the reasons therefor along with the details of funds allocated by Government to Bihar during the last three years?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI SUDARSHAN BHAGAT)

(a) & (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 with a population of 500 persons (as per 2001 Census) and above in plain areas. In respect of 'Special Category States' (States of the North-East, Sikkim, Himachal Pradesh, Jammu & Kashmir and Uttarakhand), the Desert areas, the Tribal (Schedule V) areas and 88 Selected Tribal and Backward districts as identified by the Ministry of Home Affairs/Planning Commission, the objective is to connect eligible unconnected habitations as per Core-Network with a population of 250 persons and above (Census 2001). The programme envisages single all weather connectivity. Upgradation of selected rural roads to provide full farm to market connectivity is also an objective of the scheme, though not central to it. In addition, PMGSY-II has also been launched for upgradation of existing selected rural roads based on a prescribed criterion to strengthen and to make the rural road-network vibrant.

(c) & (d): The Ministry had been releasing funds to the States proportionately based balance works in hand in the past. The year-wise details of funds released to the State during the last three years and the current year is as under:

Year	Funds released (Rs.	Remark
	in crore)	
2012-13	1,327	
2013-14	851	
2014-15	1,548	
2015-16	919	Release of Rs. 657
		crore is in process.

As informed by the State, the road from Ram Nagar Mor to Pakadiya Mor via Sudiyahi Road is part of "T02 to Bairiyahi" (Length 6.53 Km, Cost- Rs. 394.67 Lakh) and was sanctioned in year 2012-13. The Water Bound Macadam (WBM) work in 6.00 km length and Plain Cement Concrete work (PCC) in 80 mt. length has been completed in this road.
