GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT

RAJYA SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 87 TO BE ANSWERED ON 02.05.2016

STRENGTHENING OF PMGSY

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Will the Minister of **RURAL DEVELOPMENT** be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government is committed to strengthen the Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana (PMGSY);
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether work under PMGSY has been stalled due to lack of funds as the contractors have deserted the work midway and left majority of roads in an incomplete and dilapidated condition due to non-payment of dues for the work; and
- (d) the details of funds allocated to Bihar under PMGSY during 2016-17?

ANSWER MINISTER OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI BIRENDER SINGH)

(a) to (d): A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

<u>Statement referred to in reply to parts (a) to (d) of Rajya Sabha Starred Question No.</u> <u>87 for answer on 02.05.2016</u>

(a) to (d): 'Rural Roads' is a State subject and Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana (PMGSY) is a one-time special intervention to provide rural connectivity, by way of a single all-Weather road, to the eligible unconnected habitations in the core network.

Keeping in view the critical contribution of PMGSY to creation of rural infrastructure and sustainable poverty eradication, the Government has not only substantially increased the allocation of this programme from Rs.14,200 crore in 2014-15 to Rs.18,291 crore during 2015-16 and Rs.19,000 crore during 2016-17, but has also taken a decision to maintain this enhanced level of funding over the next three years. The status of funds released to Bihar by the Ministry of Rural Development during last 3 years is given below:-

	(Rs. Crore)
Year	Allocations/ Releases
2013-14	850.83
2014-15	1548.16
2015-16	2781.00

For accelerated execution of PMGSY in the States including Bihar, the Ministry of Rural Development in consultation with the Ministry of Finance and the States, has formulated an Action Plan, to achieve an early target under PMGSY, with enhanced financial allocation to the States and modified funding pattern in the Scheme. Accordingly, the fund sharing pattern of PMGSY has been made in the ratio 60:40 between the Centre and States for all States for 8 North Eastern and 3 Himalayan States (Jammu & Kashmir, Himachal Pradesh & Uttarakhand) for which it is 90:10. With the changed sharing pattern, the total annual financial inflows in this programme would be substantial.

Further, under Prime Minister's Package announced for Bihar, in September, 2015, a provision of Central Assistance of Rs.13,820 crore has been made for 5 years(including 2015-16) for construction of rural roads under PMGSY.

As a result of enhanced financial allocation, regular monitoring of States and capacity building of field Engineers, Contractors etc., the pace of construction of PMGSY roads has improved substantially. For two consecutive financial years i.e. 2014-15 and 2015-16, 100 km of PMGSY roads have been constructed per day, as compared to the average of 73.5 km during the 3 years period of 2011 to 2014. It is targeted to construct 130 km of PMGSY roads per day in 2016-17. The statement showing progress of road works sanctioned and road works completed as reported by State Government of Bihar/NRRDA during the period from 2001-02 to 2013-14 is annexed.

Annual indicative fund allocation to the various States under PMGSY is made by the Ministry based on the value of the balance work in hand with the State Governments sanctioned by the Ministry, unspent balance available with the States etc. within the overall budgetary limits of PMGSY in a financial year. The Budget Estimate (BE) for PMGSY during 2016-17 is Rs. 19,000 crore. The total indicative Annual Allocation of Bihar for financial year 2016-17 is Rs. 5000 crore which includes Rs. 3000 crore as Central Share and Rs. 2000 crore as State share. An amount of Rs.574.80 crore under Vote on Account (April-May, 2016), has already been released to the State in the present financial year.

Statement referred to in reply to part (a) to (d) of Rajya Sabha Starred Q. No. 87 (12th Position)

to be answered on 2nd May, 2016

Pradhan Mantri Sadak Gram Yojana (PMGSY)

Statement showing road works sanctioned and road works completed/ length of road works (in km)

Financial Year	Total No. of Road Works Cleared	Total length of Road Works Cleared (in Km)	Total No. Of Road Works Completed	Total Length of Road Works Completed (in Kms.)
2000-2001	295	856.37	285	778.129
2001-2002	624	1449.8	607	1320.405
2002-2003	5	55.41	4	40.16
2003-2004	2	7.1	1	4.1
2004-2005	75	732.555	71	672.535

2005-2006	242	2095.564	229	1815.06
2006-2007	405	3408.25	384	2916.966
2007-2008	1192	6025.458	1074	5288.81
2008-2009	5434	19179.623	4747	16392.684
2009-2010	88	334.255	84	306.165
2011-2012	544	1595.918	468	1392.637
2012-2013	1138	3242.219	828	2409.401
2013-2014	5163	11440.028	1562	4064.119
Total	15207	50422.55	10344	37401.171