

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT
DEPARTMENT OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT

RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3636
TO BE ANSWERED ON 03.04.2017

ACHIEVEMENTS UNDER PMGSY

3636. SHRI KAPIL SIBAL:

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

- (a) whether under the Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana (PMGSY) it was targeted to connect 65,000 eligible habitations to the rest of the country through roads and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) if so, whether during the Financial Year 2016-17 ` 19,000 crore was sanctioned for PMGSY; and
- (c) whether the target of 15,000 habitations was assigned for Financial Year 2016-17 and till December, 2016 only 6,337 habitations were connected and if so, the details thereof along with the reasons for shortfall in achieving target?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT
(SHRI RAM KRIPAL YADAV)

(a): 'Rural Roads' is a State subject and Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana (PMGSY) is a one-time special intervention of the Central Government to provide rural connectivity, by way of a single all-weather road, to the eligible unconnected habitations in the core network. Out of total 1,83,599 eligible habitations under PMGSY (including habitations eligible in 100 and above population category as per Census 2001 in 267 LWE blocks indentified by MHA), 1,56,530 habitations (85.30%) have been sanctioned by the Ministry till February, 2017 against this, States have reported to have connected, 1,23,528 habitations (78.9%).

(b): During 2016-17, the allocation under PMGSY at Revised Estimate (RE) stage is Rs 19,000 crore. After deducting communicated liabilities viz repayment of NABARD loan etc. Rs 17,584.49 crore is available for release to States, out of which Rs 16,423.35 crore has been released to State Governments till 27th March, 2017 (93.4%).

(c): During 2016-17, Ministry of Rural Development set a target to connect 15,000 habitations in all the States. The States have connected 10,700 habitations till 27th March, 2017 (71.33%). The reasons for shortfall in achievement of habitation connectivity as reported by the States include (i) delay in getting forest clearances (ii) slow rate of progress in LWE areas, (iii) inadequate execution and contracting capacity, etc.
