

Government of India  
Ministry of Development of North Eastern Region

**RAJYA SABHA**

**UNSTARRED QUESTION No. 2421**

To be answered on

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**QUESTION**

**Road and electricity connectivity in the North Eastern Region**

2421. Shri Sandosh Kumar P:

Will the Minister of Development of North Eastern Region be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of villages in the North Eastern Region without access to roads and vehicles;
- (b) the number of villages in the North Eastern Region without electricity connection;
- (c) whether the Ministry has implemented any special scheme to enhance road and power connectivity in the North Eastern Region; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

**ANSWER**

**The Minister of the Ministry of Development of North Eastern Region**

**[Shri G. Kishan Reddy]**

(a) As per the Ministry of Rural Development, for a total of 18,098 habitations out of a total of 18,312 habitations in North Eastern Region (NER) each having population of at least 250, projects were sanctioned for extending all weather road connectivity under Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojna (PMGSY), and these have been covered.

(b) As per Ministry of Power, all villages in India including those in NER have been electrified under the Scheme of Deendayal Upadhyay Gram Jyoti Yojana (DDUGJY).

(c) & (d) Ministry of Development of North Eastern Region implemented the Scheme 'Non-Lapsable Central Pool of Resources (NLCPR)–State' till the year 2017-18 under which projects contributing to road and power connectivity were supported in NER. The North East Special Infrastructure Development Scheme (NESIDS) was approved by the Union Cabinet in place of erstwhile NLCPR State scheme, in December 2017, which also supports road and power connectivity projects. The Ministry also launched, in addition, a scheme named PM-DevINE for supporting infrastructure and social development projects in the region. A total of 780 projects worth Rs.11812.17 crore in road sector and 285 projects worth Rs.3701.48 crore in power sector have been sanctioned by the Ministry in NER.

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