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TO BE ANSWERED ON 20/12/2024

ALL WEATHER ROADS UNDER PMGSY-IV

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Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) the timeline for construction of 62,500 km of all weather roads under Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana-IV (PMGSY-IV), and the manner in which progress will be monitored to ensure timely completion by 2028-29, the details thereof;
- (b) a breakdown of the 25000 unconnected habitations that will benefit from the scheme and the criteria used to prioritize these habitations, the details thereof; and
- (c) the specific steps being taken to incorporate international benchmarks and sustainable practices like Cold Mix Technology (CMT), waste plastic, and fly ash in road construction under PMGSY-IV, the details thereof?

ANSWER

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

(a) & (b): The Government of India has approved phase IV of Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana (PMGSY) in September 2024 to provide all-weather connectivity to 25,000 unconnected habitations of population size 500+ in plains, 250+ in NE & 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 unconnected eligible habitations for road connectivity under PMGSY-IV are being identified using mobile based application. A total of 62,500 km road length is estimated to be constructed to connect all these habitations. The timeline of the scheme is 2024-25 to 2028-29.

The progress will be monitored through Online Management, Monitoring and Accounting System (OMMAS) on real time basis. In addition, the progress will be reviewed by way of Regional Review Meetings (RRMs), Performance Review Committee (PRC) Meetings, Pre-Empowered/ Empowered Committee Meetings with the States. At District level, the District Development Coordination and Monitoring Committee (DISHA) headed by Hon'ble Member of Parliament (LS) is empowered to monitor the implementation of various schemes of Government of India including PMGSY. Besides above, special review meetings/monthly review meetings by Secretary/ Additional Secretary/Joint Secretary, Ministry of Rural Development with Chief Secretaries/Principal Secretaries of the States are held regularly to take stock of the progress of the schemes and remove the bottlenecks, if any.

(c): The Ministry had issued new technology initiatives guidelines in 2013 in order to use locally, marginally available materials/non-conventional materials/new materials in road construction. In order to encourage new materials in road construction, States were required to adopt new technologies in 15 % of total proposal (10% using IRC mainstreaming technologies and 5% IRC accredited technologies). In order to promote and disseminate large- scale adoption of New/Green Technologies in rural roads in a more systematic manner, the Ministry has revised these guidelines and brought out “Vision Document on New Technology Initiatives & Guidelines-2022” which requires the State Governments to propose minimum 50% of total length of annual proposals under New/ Green Technologies such as Cement stabilization, Lime stabilization, Cold mix, waste plastics, cell-filled concrete, paneled cement-concrete pavement, Fly ash etc.
