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RURAL ROADS CONNECTIVITY UNDER PMGSY

780 Shri Debashish Samantaray:

Will the Minister of Rural Development be pleased to state:

- (a) the progress made under the Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana (PMGSY);
- (b) the number of rural habitations connected during the last three years; and
- (c) the future roadmap for rural connectivity?

ANSWER

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

(a): The Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana (PMGSY) is a flagship intervention of the Government of India aimed at strengthening rural infrastructure by providing all-weather road connectivity to eligible unconnected habitations and consolidating the existing rural road network to improve access to socio-economic services. Since its inception, the program has fundamentally transformed the rural landscape. As per the dynamic data maintained on the Online Management, Monitoring and Accounting System (OMMAS), a cumulative total of 1,62,876 eligible rural habitations have been successfully saturated with all-weather road access, spanning a completed network of 7,97,000 km of road length and 10,823 Long Span Bridges (LSBs) across various verticals of the scheme.

(b): A total of 524 rural habitations have been connected during last three years and the current year. The year wise details are given below:-

Years	Total
2023-24	230
2024-25	156
2025-26	93
2026-27 (as on date)	45
Total	524

(c): The future roadmap for rural connectivity centers on completing the residual spillover works of older phases while aggressively executing newly launched verticals. Under the first phase of the program (PMGSY-I), the government has already successfully covered the primary baseline of eligible habitations across the country. Building on this foundation, our future roadmap is actively working towards the saturation of all rural connectivity needs by reaching the remaining unconnected habitations through new, targeted initiatives. Through PMGSY-IV, the focus is on connecting smaller remaining habitations by providing all-weather road

connectivity to about 25,000 unconnected habitations of designated population size (as per Census 2011). Simultaneously, PM-JANMAN is also implemented to bring road connectivity to highly vulnerable tribal communities. Alongside these efforts, the Vibrant Villages Programme (VVP) envisages the development of roads in strategically located border villages with the objective of strengthening border infrastructure and help locals stay in their home regions. In the implementation of PMGSY- IV, specific priority is accorded to Scheduled Tribe (ST) and Scheduled Caste (SC) dominated habitations. This is being executed in close convergence with the Dharti Aaba Janjatiya Gram Utkarsh Abhiyan (DA-JGUA) and the Pradhan Mantri Anusuchit Jaati Abhyuday Yojana (PM-AJAY) to maximize developmental impact.
