

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT
DEPARTMENT OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT

LOK SABHA
STARRED QUESTION NO. 403
TO BE ANSWERED ON 15.12.2016

PRADHAN MANTRI GRAM PARIVAHAN YOJANA

***403. SHRI PRATHAP SIMHA:**

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

- (a) whether the 'Pradhan Mantri Gram Parivahan Yojana' has been launched and if so, the details thereof along with the objectives and salient features of the said scheme;
- (b) whether any budgetary allocation has been made during the current year for implementation of the scheme, if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) whether according to a study conducted by this Ministry, there is a substantial demand for 10-12 seater passenger/commercial vehicles to meet the transportation needs of the rural people and if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER
MINISTER OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT
(SHRI NARENDRA SINGH TOMAR)

- (a) : No, Madam.
- (b) : In view of the reply given at (a) above, the question does not arise.
- (c) : M/s. Urban Mass Transit Company Limited, Gurgaon, has carried out a Prefeasibility Study for Providing Rural Transport Services. As per the study, majority of the rural population is still dependent on unsafe & unorganised passenger transport. Consequently, the rural population is unable to access markets, health care, education, etc. in safe, comfortable and convenient manner. In order to develop safe and convenient accessibility and mobility in rural areas, it is necessary to leverage the rural roads network developed under Pradhan Manti Gram Sadak Yojana (PMGSY) to provide rural passenger transport services. According to this study, 8-12 seater vehicles are more suitable for rural areas.
