

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT
DEPARTMENT OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.1573
TO BE ANSWERED ON 9.3.2017

Agencies Involved under PMGSY

†1573. SHRI HARISHCHANDRA CHAVAN:

SHRI MANSUKHBHAI DHANJIBHAI VASAVA:

Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has held any agency responsible for the unsatisfactory ongoing work, poor quality of rural roads and lack of proper maintenance of these roads;
- (b) if so, the details thereof during the last three years and the current year, State/ UT-wise;
- (c) the names of the agencies against whom action has been taken, State/UT-wise; and
- (d) the outcome of the said action?

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

(a)to(d) As per the Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana (PMGSY) Guidelines and Operations Manual, ensuring the quality of the road works is responsibility of the State Governments, who are implementing the Programme. To this end, all works must be effectively supervised. The Quality Control Register prescribed by the NRRDA to operationalise the provisions of the mandatory testing prescribed under the specifications are invariably to be maintained for each of the road works. It is also prescribed that payment shall not be made to the Contractor unless the tests have been conducted as per the prescribed procedure and the results have been found to be satisfactory. A three-tier Quality Management mechanism is envisaged under the PMGSY. The first tier of quality management mechanism is in-house quality control system of the Executing Agency whereas, the second tier of quality management mechanism will be independent quality assurance system operationalized by the State Government. Therefore, the State Governments

would be responsible for the first two-tiers of the Quality Management Structure. The third tier is envisaged as independent quality management mechanism operationalised by the NRRDA, as such, this tier would be enforced by NRRDA through the National Quality Monitors (NQMs.)

The quality of road work is graded under three categories viz., “Satisfactory” (S), Satisfactory Requiring improvement” (SRI), and “Unsatisfactory” (U). In the case of road works graded as SRI and U, the concerned State Government has to ensure that the contractor replaces the material or rectifies the workmanship (as the case may be) within a reasonable time period.

Action Taken Reports of the road works graded as Satisfactory Requiring Improvement (SRI) and Unsatisfactory by the State Quality Monitors are monitored by the respective State Governments. Similarly, for road works graded as Satisfactory Requiring Improvement (SRI) and Unsatisfactory on the basis of observations of National Quality Monitors, the Action Taken Reports for such cases, submitted by respective States are monitored by National Rural Roads Development Agency.

As regards, proper maintenance of road works under PMGSY, all projects under the programme are covered by a five-year maintenance contract along with the construction contract, with the same contractor. During the initial five years maintenance period (defect liability period) the contractor is required to maintain the roads to the defined serviceable standards and responsible for rectifying all defects. After the completion of defect liability period of five years, the roads are transferred to the respective States for maintenance.

A statement containing details of inspections conducted by State Quality Monitors (SQMs) and National Quality Monitors (NQMs) during the last three years and current years is given at **Annexure.**

The States implement the programme through respective State Rural Roads Development Agencies. States being the Executive Agencies, details about Action Taken against the erring Contracting agencies are not maintained Centrally, in the Ministry.

Annexure referred to in Lok Sabha unstarred Question No. 1573 due for answer on 09.03.2017

Sr. No.	Name of the State	Total no. of inspection conducted by SQMs				Total no. of inspection conducted by NQMs			
		2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17(upto Feb,2017)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17(upto Feb,2017)
1	Andhra Pradesh	318	755	542	243	12	45	173	37
2	Arunachal Pradesh	261	146	150	258	46	15	55	39
3	Assam	1179	1296	833	956	260	300	237	534
4	Bihar	4408	5447	6599	5373	282	606	455	1295
5	Chhattisgarh	1191	2096	2272	1097	138	298	333	267
6	Gujarat	664	2953	806	111	66	233	177	40
7	Haryana	1	285	99	17	0	64	42	0
8	Himachal Pradesh	170	377	331	479	87	130	172	146
9	Jammu And Kashmir	630	651	726	562	77	119	209	78
10	Jharkhand	858	1849	1682	1481	162	179	277	709
11	Karnataka	28	746	520	448	14	141	217	46
12	Kerala	137	401	790	728	42	77	218	108
13	Madhya Pradesh	2341	3351	5824	3691	313	761	823	543
14	Maharashtra	711	1829	954	774	40	232	487	205
15	Manipur	31	204	336	303	0	37	90	56
16	Meghalaya	61	102	66	168	27	49	42	61
17	Mizoram	34	77	40	30	32	10	1	17
18	Nagaland	48	48	0	2	21	0	10	4
19	Odisha	2572	2414	3588	3695	260	384	569	795
20	Punjab	119	227	214	300	147	81	178	94
21	Rajasthan	507	1973	1470	1586	192	159	463	314
22	Sikkim	123	221	114	174	42	18	37	38
23	Tamilnadu	736	2005	1275	1036	175	363	215	166
24	Telangana	188	168	243	154	23	28	108	61

25	Tripura	112	340	226	342	39	59	59	76
26	Uttar Pradesh	2108	2614	2222	1712	251	449	491	259
27	Uttarakhand	361	402	829	692	9	99	94	76
28	West Bengal	1217	1581	1855	1581	220	290	284	309
	Total	21114	34558	34606	27993	2977	5226	6516	6373

