GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1480 TO BE ANSWERED ON 26.07.2018

VILLAGE CONNECTIVITY UNDER PMGSY

1480. SHRI NISHIKANT DUBEY: SHRI RAVINDRA KUMAR PANDEY:

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

- (a) whether the Government proposes to connect all the villages through the Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana (PMGSY) and if so, the details thereof; and
- (b) the time by which the work for connecting all villages in Jharkhand under PMGSY would be completed?

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

(a) & (b): Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana (PMGSY) is a one-time special intervention of Government of India to provide rural connectivity, by way of a single all-weather road, to the eligible unconnected habitations in the core network with a population of 500 persons and above in plain area and 250 and above in Special Category States, the Desert Areas (as identified in the District Development Programme), the Tribal (Schedule V) areas and Selected Tribal and Backward districts as identified by the Ministry of Home Affairs/NITI Aayog on the basis of census, 2001. In the critical Left Wing Extremism affected blocks (as identified by MHA), additional relaxation has been given to connect habitations with population 100 persons and above. The unit of the PMGSY Scheme is a habitation and not a revenue village.

The number of eligible unconnected habitations as per the Core Network under PMGSY is 1,78,184, out of which the Ministry has sanctioned 1, 64,913 habitations till 30th June, 2018. The States have reported to have connected 1, 41,311 habitations by all-weather road till 30th June, 2018. Further, the States have connected 16,380 habitations, which are a part of core network of PMGSY through State Sponsored Schemes bringing total connectivity to 1,57, 691 habitations.

The Government of India has taken a decision to accelerate execution of PMGSY in all States including Jharkhand by providing connectivity to eligible habitations as per the Core Network of PMGSY by March, 2019.
