

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT
DEPARTMENT OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT**

**LOK SABHA
STARRED QUESTION NO. 167
ANSWERED ON 01/08/2023**

CONSTRUCTION OF LINK ROUTES UNDER PMGSY

***167. MS. DEBASREE CHAUDHURI:**

Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) the progress made by the Government in the construction of rural roads under Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana (PMGSY) in West Bengal, districtwise from 2018 till date along with the details of the funds allocated for the purpose;**
- (b) whether, after inter-linking of the villages of the country, the Government proposes to construct link routes between the rural institutions under the third phase of PMGSY; and**
- (c) if so, the details thereof and the progress made thereon?**

**ANSWER
MINISTER OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT
(SHRI GIRIRAJ SINGH)**

(a) to (c): A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

Statement referred to in reply to Parts (a) to (c) of Lok Sabha Starred Question No. 167 due for answer on 01.08.2023.

(a): Rural Roads is a State subject and Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana (PMGSY) was launched as a one-time special intervention to support enhancement of rural connectivity for uplifting the socio-economic condition of the rural population. As on 26th July 2023, 37,850.18 km road length has been sanctioned under various verticals of PMGSY and 36,461.47 km road length completed in the State of West Bengal. District-wise details of road constructed under PMGSY in the State West Bengal from Financial Year 2018-19 to 26th July, 2023 are given at Annexure.

Central funds under PMGSY are released to State Governments and funds are released at district and sub-district level by the State Governments. The release of funds to the State for implementation of PMGSY is done on the basis of the proposal received from the State and depends, inter-alia, on works in hand, execution capacity of the State and unspent funds available with the State. The details of Central fund released to the State of West Bengal under PMGSY is given below:-

(Rs in Crore)

Financial Year	Central Fund released
2018-19	1426.98
2019-20	348.25
2020-21	969.31
2021-22	49.94
2022-23	381.03
2023-24 (upto 26.07.2023)	0.00

As on 26th July, 2023, unspent fund of Rs. 319.06 crore excluding security deposits is available with the State of West Bengal for implementation of PMGSY.

(b) to (c): The Government of India has approved Phase-III of PMGSY with an aim to consolidate 1,25,000 km Through Routes and Major Rural Links connecting habitations, inter-alia to Gramin Agricultural Markets, Higher Secondary Schools and Hospitals. The timeline for completion of PMGSY-III is March 2025. Against the target of 1,25,000 km under PMGSY- III, the Ministry has so far sanctioned 1,02,342 km road length and out of which 62,730 km length has been completed.

Annexure referred to part (a) of Lok Sabha Starred Question No 167 (7th Position) for answer on 01.08.2023.

The construction of rural roads under Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana (PMGSY) in West Bengal, district wise from 2018-19 to 26th July, 2023.

(Road length completed in km)

Sr. No.	District Name	2018-19	2019-20	2020-21	2021-22	2022-23	2023-24 (26th July, 2023)
1	Bankura	580.19	162.16	174.80	16.48	3.31	-
2	Birbhum	370.44	109.73	63.46	1.60	0.00	-
3	Cooch-Behar	199.35	69.56	32.88	1.33	0.00	-
4	Dakshin Dinajpur	36.60	63.69	89.48	3.83	0.20	-
5	Darjeeling	136.63	102.68	57.54	9.47	0.00	-
6	Hooghly	230.02	109.57	93.90	70.33	0.78	-
7	Howrah	203.09	162.03	110.94	33.64	15.50	-
8	Jalpaiguri	132.37	56.43	35.78	2.43	0.00	-
9	Maldah	72.37	129.57	270.74	132.24	19.12	-
10	Murshidabad	129.15	50.15	138.10	4.70	0.10	-
11	Nadia	200.51	9.76	150.05	33.60	7.51	-
12	North 24 Parganas	356.24	87.22	70.42	83.39	19.31	0.10
13	Paschim Medinipur	709.89	259.29	195.05	20.96	20.15	1.92
14	Purba Medinipur	128.01	51.41	63.06	4.80	9.45	0.40
15	Purulia	372.11	196.22	134.52	8.48	0.00	-
16	Siliguri M.P.	38.81	7.24	26.13	5.83	0.00	-
17	South 24-Parganas	408.81	160.06	95.61	38.59	14.08	5.00
18	Uttardinajpur	93.13	95.73	51.40	14.35	1.30	0.70
19	Alipurduar	165.95	69.49	108.90	5.04	0.71	-
20	Purba Burdwan	181.94	115.14	103.02	11.17	2.30	-
21	Paschim Burdwan	63.82	13.09	26.01	0.74	-	-
22	Jhargram	236.83	59.90	57.33	12.56	8.86	-
23	Kalimpong	64.99	39.92	29.87	10.44	-	-
Total		5,111.22	2,180.04	2,178.96	525.96	122.67	8.12
