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LOK SABHA
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ROAD CONNECTIVITY IN LEFT WING EXTREMIST AREA

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Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) the total coverage achieved under PMGSY until 2021;
- (b) the special measures taken by the Government to provide road connectivity in Left Wing Extremist areas and the North East of India;
- (c) whether the Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana (PMGSY) has projects in the districts of Palamu and Garhwa;
- (d) if so, the details thereof;
- (e) the details of the PMGSY projects that are proposed, ongoing and completed in Jharkhand;
- (f) whether it is true that the Government is planning to discontinue the PMGSY;
- (g) if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT
(SADHVI NIRANJAN JYOTI)

- (a) Since inception till 31st December, 2021, the details of works sanctioned , completed and balance under various interventions/ verticals of PMGSY are given as under :-

Vertical	Sanctioned		Completed		Balance	
	Road length (km)	Bridges	Road length (km)	Bridges	Road length (km) @	Bridges
PMGSY-I	6,45,605	7,516	6,11,001	5,667	19,552	1,849
PMGSY-II	49,885	765	45,876	528	3,552	237
RCPLWEA	10,231	463	4,817	119	5,389	344
PMGSY-III	72,881	708	21,617	56	51,168	652
Total	7,78,599	9,452	6,83,311	6,370	79,661	3,082

The details of habitation connectivity status during the same period is as under :-

250+ Population Category		100-249 Population Category	
Sanctioned Habitations	Connected Habitations	Sanctioned Habitations	Connected Habitations
1,57,379	1,55,555	6260	5820

- (b) North East Areas and Left Wing Extremism Areas of India have got specific focus in PMGSY by giving special dispensation to these areas. While eligibility criteria for other habitations for getting connectivity under the scheme is a population of 500 persons (as per 2001 census) in plain areas, for Tribal (Schedule V) areas and Selected Tribal and Backward Districts (as identified by the Ministry of Home Affairs and Planning Commission) and for special category states, mostly **North-Eastern** and Himalayan States (i.e. Arunachal Pradesh, Assam, Manipur, Meghalaya, Mizoram, Nagaland, Sikkim, Tripura, Himachal Pradesh, Jammu & Kashmir and Uttarakhand), unconnected habitations

with a population of 250 persons and above (as per Census 2001) are eligible for providing all-weather road connectivity under the scheme. In the critical **Left Wing Extremism (LWE)** affected blocks (as identified by MHA), additional relaxation has been given to connect eligible habitations with population 100 persons and above (as per Census 2001).

Further, with an aim to improve the road connectivity in 44 worst affected LWE districts and some adjoining districts in 9 States, viz. Andhra Pradesh, Bihar, Chhattisgarh, Jharkhand, Madhya Pradesh, Maharashtra, Odisha, Telangana and Uttar Pradesh, Road Connectivity Project for Left Wing Extremism Areas (RCPLWEA) was launched in the year 2016. The scheme has twin objectives of enabling smooth and seamless anti-LWE operations by the security forces and also ensuring socio-economic development of the area. So far, 10,231 km road length has been sanctioned and 4,817 km road length has been completed under RCPLWEA.

(c) & (d) Since inception till 15.03.2022, the details of works sanctioned, completed and balance under various interventions/ verticals of PMGSY in Palamu & Garhwa districts of Jharkhand are as under:-

Palamu

Vertical	Sanctioned		Completed		Balance	
	Road length (km)	Bridges	Road length (km)	Bridges	Road length (km) @	Bridges
PMGSY-I	1580	92	1509	87	38	5
PMGSY-II	93	0	88	0	5	0
RCPLWEA	111	10	31	2	79	8
PMGSY-III	0	0	0	0	-	-
Total	1784	102	1628	89	122	13

Garhwa

Vertical	Sanctioned		Completed		Balance	
	Road length (km)	Bridges	Road length (km)	Bridges	Road length (km) @	Bridges
PMGSY-I	1165	40	1149	40	0	0
PMGSY-II	75	1	66	0	9	1
RCPLWEA	56	3	19	3	37	0
PMGSY-III	22	0	0	0	22	0
Total	1318	44	1234	43	68	1

(e) Since inception till 15.03.2022, the details of works sanctioned , completed and balance under various interventions/ verticals of PMGSY in the state of Jharkhand are as under:-

Vertical	Sanctioned		Completed		Balance	
	Road length (km)	Bridges	Road length (km)	Bridges	Road length (km) @	Bridges
PMGSY-I	25,559	499	24,570	436	374	63
PMGSY-II	1,642	6	1,593	2	42	4
RCPLWEA	1,977	167	811	60	1,164	107
PMGSY-III	979	0	0	0	979	0
Total	30,157	672	26,974	498	2,559	174

(f) & (g) Currently 4 interventions/ verticals of PMGSY, namely, PMGSY-I, II, III & RCPLWEA are in operation. The timeline for completion of PMGSY-I & II is September, 2022, whereas it is March, 2023 for RCPLWEA and March, 2025 for PMGSY-III. Thus, as of now, there is substantial work to be completed under PMGSY.

@ Balance road length is less than the difference of sanctioned and completed length due to reduction in road length, change in alignment, construction of part length by other agencies, etc.
