# GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT

# LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1353 ANSWERED ON 03/12/2024

### PHASE-4 OF PMGSY

#### **1353. SHRI GOPAL JEE THAKUR:**

Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENTbe pleased to state:

- (a) the details of roads to be constructed in rural areas to provide better road connectivity under Pradhan Mantri Gram SadakYojana (PMGSY) Phase-4;
- (b) whether even a single settlement from Darbhanga Parliamentary Constituency has not been included in the scheme, if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Kosi Western embankment near Bhubhaul village in the Darbhanga Parliamentary constituency broke two months ago due to excessive water discharge from Nepal causing devastation in Kiratpur, Gora Bauram, and Ghanshampur blocks and the total damage of rural roads, if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) whether the Government also proposed the construction of roads in the rural areas of Darbhanga Parliamentary Constituency through Phase 4 of PMGSY in view of the said serious problems and if so, the details thereof?

#### ANSWER

# MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI KAMLESH PASWAN)

(a) & (b): Pradhan Mantri Gram SadakYojana-IV (PMGSY-IV) has been launched in 2024 for construction of 62,500 km of all-weather roads (single lane) to provide connectivity to about 25,000 unconnected habitations of population size 500+ in plains, 250+ in NE & Hill states/UTs, special category areas (Tribal Schedule V, Aspirational Districts/ Blocks, Desert areas) and 100+ in LWE affected districts, as per Census 2011. The survey work is presently undergoing to identify the eligible unconnected habitation as per population norms.

(c): As per information received from the State of Bihar, 51 roads (34 roads of Kiratpur block & 17 roads of KusheshwarAsthanPurbi block) constructed by Rural Works Department (Works division, Biraul) under PMGSY/ State scheme and 2 roads (Ghanshayampur block) constructed by Rural Works Department (Benipur) under State schemes, have been damaged due to the breach of Western embankment of Koshi river in the current year. The State has also informed that DPR etc. are being made for restoration of damage on these roads.

(d): Restoration of damaged roads is not under the purview of PMGSY IV. A total of 25,000 eligible unconnected habitations in the country, as per the population norms of PMGSY-IV, will be provided all-weather connectivity under the programme for which the survey work is presently going on.

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