

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

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3502
ANSWERED ON 17/12/2024**

ROADS IN HILLY AREAS UNDER PMGSY

3502. ADV DEAN KURIAKOSE:

Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government will give more kilometre of roads under the PMGSY in hilly areas especially in Idukki district;**
- (b) whether the Government is aware of the need for more roads for hilly areas under PMGSY; and**
- (c) if so, whether the Government plans to give the same support and priority as being given to the North Eastern States?**

ANSWER

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

(a) A total of 5,312 Km road length has been sanctioned under various ongoing interventions/verticals of PMGSY in Kerala, out of which 4,265 Km road length has already been completed and 1,009 Km road length are at various stages of execution. The intervention/vertical wise physical achievements under PMGSY, since inception till 13.12.2024, in the State, are given below:

(Road length in Km)

Name of intervention/vertical	Sanctioned	Completed	Balance*
PMGSY-I	3,308	3,240	41
PMGSY-II	583	562	16
PMGSY III	1,421	463	952
Total:	5,312	4,265	1009

*** Balance road length is less than the difference of sanctioned and completed length due to the reasons that some projects were completed with less than the sanctioned length due to reduction in road length, change in alignment, construction of part length by other agencies, etc.**

In Idukki district of Kerala, total 148 roads and 3 LSBs of length 598 Km have been sanctioned under various ongoing interventions/verticals of PMGSY, out of which 121 roads of length 481 Km has already been completed and 116 Km road length are at various stages of execution. The intervention/ vertical wise physical achievements under PMGSY since inception till 13.12.2024 in Idukki district are given below:

(Road length in Km)

Name of intervention/vertical	Sanctioned	Completed	Balance*
PMGSY-I	401	383	18
PMGSY-II	59	58	0
PMGSY III	138	40	98
Total:	598	481	116

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The timeline for completion of PMGSY-I, II & PMGSY III is upto March, 2025.

(b) & (c): The Union Cabinet has recently approved implementation of the Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana - IV (PMGSY-IV) during FY 2024-25 to 2028-29. The financial assistance is to be provided for the construction of 62,500 Kms road for providing new connectivity to eligible 25,000 unconnected habitations, in the country, 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 and construction/ upgradation of bridges on the new connectivity roads. Total outlay of this scheme will be Rs. 70,125 crore.
