GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT

LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 244 ANSWERED ON 18/03/2025

RURAL ROADS IN MAHARASHTRA

*244. SHRI TATKARE SUNIL DATTATREY:

Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of rural roads in Maharashtra that have been identified as severely damaged during the last rainy season and the criteria used for identifying the same during the last five years, district-wise;
- (b) whether accidental deaths have been reported on these roads during the said period;
- (c) if so, the total number of such cases reported;
- (d) the details of funds allocated and utilized for the repair and maintenance of rural roads in Maharashtra during the said period, district-wise; and
- (e) the details of measures taken to ensure the quality and durability of rural road construction in Maharashtra to withstand adverse weather conditions, particularly during heavy rains?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI SHIVRAJ SINGH CHOUHAN)

(a) to (e): A statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (A) TO (E) OF LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 244 DUE FOR ANSWER ON 18.03.2025.

(a) to (c): "Rural roads" is a State subject. The Government of India, as a part of the poverty reduction strategy, launched the Pradhan Mantri Gram SadakYojana (PMGSY-I) on 25th December, 2000 to assist the States in providing connectivity to eligible unconnected habitations through all-weather roads. Other verticals viz. PMGSY II and PMGSY III were also started for upgradation of rural roads for better connectivity to growth centres and for improved connectivity to schools, hospitals, Gramin Agricultural Markets, respectively. Several PMGSY roads have been constructed in tribal dominated areas in the country as per the scheme objectives.

The State of Maharashtra has reported that following four roads constructed under PMGSY were severely damaged in last rainy season in Maharashtra.

- 1. MDR-25 ManwatTo ODR-28 Road Tal. ManwatDisrictParbhani
- 2. SH-221 To Vita- Thadi-Ukkalgaon-gangapimpri-Lohigram-tanda-SH-235 Shrishi-Saikheda- Narwadi Road Tal Sonpeth. Dist. Parbhani
- 3. WaloorToRavha- Tq. Border Road Tal. Selu Dist. Parbhani
- 4. SH-221 ToMoregaon- Bramhawakdi Road Tal. Selu Dist. Parbhani

The State has informed that roads are termed as severely damaged when vehicular traffic is interrupted due to reasons such as washing out of bridges, cross-drainage structures, washout of embankments in road section, land slide, etc. Besides the above, in last 5 years, 5 roads in Satara& 3 Roads in Nandurbar District were found damaged due to heavy rains. The State has further informed that no accidental death has been reported on roads constructed under PMGSY during last 5 years.

(d) & (e): As per PMGSY guidelines, maintenance of roads constructed under the programme is the responsibility of the State Governments. The details of funds allocated and utilized for the repair and maintenance of PMGSY roads in Maharashtra, as informed by the State, during the said period, district-wise may be seen at Annexure.

In order to monitor the quality of roads being constructed under the programme, a three tiered quality control mechanism, i.e. the Project Implementation Units as the first tier, State Quality Monitors (SQMs) as the second tier and National Quality Monitors (NQMs) as the third tier, is in place under PMGSY to ensure quality in construction of road works and the durability of road assets. Guidelines to regulate the quality control process have been issued to States from time to time.

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Annexure referred to in reply to part (d) & (e) of LokSabha Starred Question No. 244 for answer on 18.03.2025

Funds allocated and utilized for the repair and maintenance of PMGSY roads in Maharashtra during last five years, district-wise

(₹ in Crore)	(₹	in	Crore)
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Sr No.	Name of					
	Name of	2020-21	2021-22	2022-23	2023-24	2024-25
	Districts	Allocated	Allocated	Allocated	Allocated	Allocated
		and Utilized				
1	Ahilyanagar	0.53	5.01	4.46	2.23	0.21
2	Akola	1.44	0.99	1.22	1.98	0.00
3	Amrawati	1.80	2.64	1.49	1.73	0.03
4	Chhatrapati					
	Sambhajinagar	1.48	3.39	3.18	3.39	0.09
5	Beed	1.06	1.41	1.03	2.96	0.00
6	Bhandara	1.29	1.57	1.54	0.28	0.24
7	Buldhana	2.03	1.89	1.45	0.70	0.00
8	Chandrapur	1.03	2.75	4.15	3.09	0.24
9	Dhule	0.79	1.89	1.76	1.90	0.00
10	Gadchiroli	2.56	3.91	3.79	2.40	0.67
11	Gondiya	3.34	2.17	0.84	1.05	0.24
12	Hingoli	0.38	1.03	1.22	0.97	0.03
13	Jalgaon	1.31	5.12	3.30	0.09	0.00
14	Jalna	0.95	2.22	0.46	2.51	0.01
15	Kolhapur	4.31	59.61	45.05	7.05	0.26
16	Latur	1.87	1.59	1.88	0.38	0.00
17	Nagpur	1.09	2.99	0.87	0.03	0.00
18	Nanded	1.12	2.02	1.82	1.03	0.07
19	Nandurbar	2.74	4.99	2.46	5.68	0.03
20	Nashik	2.28	5.78	1.63	5.66	0.18
21	Osmanabad	0.56	3.06	1.17	0.90	0.02
22	Palghar	1.25	3.03	3.37	0.80	0.00
23	Parbhani	4.23	1.51	1.22	0.85	0.00
24	Pune	5.61	5.18	4.80	5.84	0.02
25	Raigad	2.92	0.75	1.61	1.82	0.00
26	Ratnagiri	3.37	4.03	2.98	0.44	0.00
27	Sangali	4.06	7.04	1.15	1.47	0.00
28	Satara	3.46	2.69	3.06	3.12	0.04
29	Sindhudurg	5.34	3.35	2.06	1.42	0.06
30	Solapur	0.51	4.18	1.63	2.16	0.09
31	Thane	2.43	1.21	1.15	0.76	0.00
32	Wardha	0.83	4.36	4.69	0.25	0.11
33	Washim	1.96	1.18	1.79	1.03	0.00
34	Yawatmal	1.53	4.36	5.22	0.92	0.53
·	Total	71.44	158.86	119.48	66.90	3.16
