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

## LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1237 ANSWERED ON 11/02/2025

#### **ALL WEATHER RURAL ROADS**

#### 1237. SHRI CHAVDA VINOD LAKHAMSHI:

### Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is implementing Pradhan Mantri Gram SadakYojana to connect rural habitations with nearby markets, cities and main roads through all-weather rural roads;
- (b) if so, whether the Government is aware that many villages in Kutch Parliamentary Constituency have either poor roads or no connectivity to nearby markets, cities or main roads;
- (c) if so, whether efforts are being made to connect these rural habitations through all weather rural roads under Pradhan Mantri Gram SadakYojana; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

#### **ANSWER**

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

(a) to (d):Pradhan Mantri Gram SadakYojana-I (PMGSY-I) was launched on 25<sup>th</sup> December 2000 with the objective to provide single all-weather road connectivity to all eligible unconnected habitations in rural areas of the country. In the year 2013, PMGSY-II was launched for upgradation of selected Through Routes and Major Rural Links (MRLs) with a target to upgrade 50,000 Km. Subsequently, Government launched PMGSY-III for consolidation of 1,25,000 Km Through Routes and Major Rural Links connecting habitations, inter-alia to Gramin Agricultural Markets, Higher Secondary Schools and Hospitals.

In the state of Gujarat, a total of 15,732 Km Road length has been sanctioned under various verticals/ interventions of PMGSY and 15,377 Km has been completed since inception till  $2^{nd}$  February, 2025.

Parliamentary constituency-wise data of PMGSY roads is not maintained in the Ministry. There are two districts within Kutch Parliamentary Constituency viz. Kutch & Morbi. Details of habitations connected, road works sanctioned and completed in the Kutch and Morbi district are as below:-

District	Habitations	Road length	Road length
	connected (nos)	sanctioned (km)	completed (km)
Kutch	15	975	956
Morbi	24	202	199

Recently PMGSY-IV has been launched 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 Left Wing Extremism (LWE) affected districts, as per Census 2011. The survey work is presently undergoing to identify the eligible unconnected habitation as per population eligibility norms. The Pradhan Mantri Gram SadakYojana (PMGSY) Phase-IV will be implemented from 2024–2025 to 2028–2029.

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