

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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DEPARTMENT OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT**

**LOK SABHA
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ANSWERED ON 18/03/2025**

DELAYED PROJECTS UNDER PMGSY

2843. SHRI K SUDHAKARAN:

Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has identified rural road projects delayed under the Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana (PMGSY), particularly in the State of Kerala;**
- (b) if so, the details thereof, including the reasons for the delays and the steps taken to expedite the completion of these projects;**
- (c) the total number of villages still lacking all-weather road connectivity in the country, particularly in the State of Kerala;**
- (d) the timeline set by the Government to provide all-weather road connectivity to these villages; and**
- (e) whether any special measures are being taken to address connectivity challenges in hilly or remote regions of Kerala, if so, the details thereof?**

ANSWER

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

(a) & (b): A total of 1807 roads of 5,312.32 km length and 15 bridges were sanctioned out of which 1575 roads of 4304.11 km length and 4 bridges have already been constructed under various interventions/ verticals of the PMGSY in Kerala. 232 roads of 969.45 km length and 11 bridges are in progress at various stages of execution. Vertical-wise details are given below:-

Verticals	Sanctioned			Completed			In-progress		
	Number of Roads	Road Length (km)	Number of Bridges	Number of Roads	Road Length (km)	Number of Bridges	Number of Roads	Road Length (km)*	Number of Bridges
PMGSY -I	1,374	3,308.37	1	1361	3239.95	1	13	40.53	-
PMGSY II	149	582.88	3	140	561.74	3	9	16.14	-
PMGSY -III	284	1,421.06	11	74	502.41	-	210	912.78	11
Total:	1,807	5,312.32	15	1575	4304.11	4	232	969.45	11

***The in-progress road length is less than the difference of sanctioned and completed length due to reduction in curve length, change in alignment, construction of part length by other agencies, etc.**

‘Rural Road’ is a State subject and PMGSY is a one-time special intervention of the central government to provide rural connectivity, by way of a single all-weather road, to the eligible unconnected habitations in the core network. As per PMGSY programme guidelines, execution of PMGSY projects is the responsibility of the State Government. Regional Review Meetings (RRMs) and Project Review Meetings are conducted with the nodal departments of the participating state governments, at regular intervals as a measure to monitor the progress & to facilitate effective and timebound implementation of the projects sanctioned under PMGSY.

The timeline for the completion of PMGSY-I, PMGSY-II, and PMGSY-III is set for 31st March 2025. The State has been advised to accelerate progress and ensure the completion of all pending works within the stipulated timeline.

(c) to (e): The unit for Pradhan Mantri Gram SadakYojana (PMGSY) programme is a Habitation. Out of total 1,63,201 eligible unconnected habitations in the Core Network in the country, 1,62,765 habitations have already been provided all weather road connectivity under PMGSY-I. In the State of Kerala, out of 404 eligible unconnected habitations in the Core Network identified by the State, 402 habitations have already been provided all weather road connectivity under PMGSY-I. Only 2 habitations are pending for connectivity in the State of Kerala. State-wise details of habitations connectivity may be accessed at programme website www.pmgysy.nic.in >Progress Monitoring > Habitations Coverage Report.The deadline for the completion of PMGSY-I is set for 31st March 2025.

The Union Cabinet on 11th September, 2024 approved implementation of the Pradhan Mantri Gram SadakYojana - IV (PMGSY-IV) during FY 2024-25 to 2028-29. Under PMGSY IV, there is a provision for construction of 62,500 Kms road for providing new connectivity to eligible 25,000 unconnected habitations of population size 500+ in plains, 250+ in NE & Hill Sates/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 is Rs.70,125crore. The PMGSY-IV Guidelines have been circulated to all States/ UTs.
