

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

**LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 4059  
ANSWERED ON 17/03/2026**

**CENTRAL SCHEMES TO STRENGTHEN ROAD AND DIGITAL  
CONNECTIVITY**

**4059. Shri Darshan Singh Choudhary:**

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

- (a) whether works have been sanctioned by the Government under the Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana (PMGSY) or other Central schemes to strengthen the road and digital connectivity of the villages under Hoshangabad Lok Sabha Constituency;**
- (b) if so, the number of villages/habitations connected and still unconnected with all weather roads in Hoshangabad Lok Sabha Constituency during the last five years;**
- (c) whether any special package or priority has been set for the remote, tribal and Narmada coastal villages of the area;**
- (d) whether the Government has taken any additional initiative to enhance village level connectivity in rural areas through internet/mobile networks, BharatNet and digital services; and**
- (e) whether the Government proposes any special action plan and budgetary provision to connect the unconnected villages of Hoshangabad Lok Sabha Constituency in a time bound manner in future?**

**ANSWER**

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

**(a): Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana (PMGSY) is a one-time special intervention to provide rural connectivity, by way of a single all-weather road, to the eligible unconnected habitations to the targeted habitations. Later on, various other interventions/verticals like PMGSY-II & PMGSY-III & Road Connectivity Projects of Left Wing Extremism Affected Area were launched for strengthening/upgradation of rural roads. The details of works sanctioned and completed under various intervention/verticals of**

**PMGSY till date in Hoshangabad Lok Sabha Constituency, which comprises Narmadapuram (Hoshangabad) district and parts of Narsinghpur and Raisen districts are as under :**

Sr. No	Districts	Net Sanctioned			Completed			Balance		
		No. of Roads	Road Length (in Km)	No of LSBs	No. of Roads	Road Length (in Km)	No of LSBs	No. of Roads	Road Length (in Km)	No of LSBs
1	Hoshangabad	234	1,021	19	232	974	17	2	3	2
2	Narsinghpur	182	711	13	181	678	10	1	0	3
3	Raisen	66	326	6	66	315	5	0	0	1
<b>Total</b>		<b>482</b>	<b>2,057</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>479</b>	<b>1,967</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>6</b>

**Further, as per the information received from the Ministry of Communications, Department of Telecommunications, details of villages covered with mobile networks in the said constituency are given below: -**

Sl. No.	District	No of villages	No of villages covered	Percentage covered	Uncovered villages	Planned in 4G Saturation scheme (out of uncovered)
1	Narmadapuram	966	933	96.58%	33	5
2	Narsinghpur	1058	1042	98.48%	16	4
3	Raisen	1486	1471	98.99%	15	3

**(b): All the eligible unconnected habitations in the districts of Narsinghpur (263), Raisen (323), and Hoshangabad (284) have already been provided with all-weather road connectivity under PMGSY-I.**

**(c): A new vertical under the Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana called PMGSY-IV has been launched in September 2024. PMGSY-IV is a strategic initiative by the Ministry of Rural Development designed to provide all-weather road connectivity to habitations identified as unconnected in the 2011 Census. The scheme operates on a five-year implementation timeline extending from FY 2024-25 to 2028-29.**

**Under this phase, the programme targets habitations with a population of 500 or more in plain areas, 250 or more in North-Eastern**

**states, Hill states, and Aspirational Districts/Blocks, and a lower threshold of 100 or more in areas affected by Left Wing Extremism.**

**A key feature of PMGSY-IV is its convergence framework, which integrates the road components of the Dharti Aaba Janjatiya Gram Utkarsh Abhiyan (DA-JGUA) and the Pradhan Mantri Anusuchit Jaati Abhyuday Yojana (PM-AJAY). Priority is given to tribal habitations under DA-JGUA with a population of at least 500 (containing 50% ST members) or 250 in Aspirational Districts (50 ST population). Similarly, PM-AJAY prioritises habitations of 500 or more that possess at least a 40% Scheduled Caste population. This unified model ensures that infrastructure development is directly aligned with socio-economic welfare targets across all States and Union Territories.**

**(d): Department of Telecom has launched Digital Bharat Nidhi (DBN)funded 4G Saturation scheme to provide 4G Mobile services to uncovered villages. Also, BharatNet Project was launched by the Department to extend Fiber connectivity to 22858 GPs of M.P.**

**(e): As replied to part (c) of the reply, the Government has launched PMGSY-IV to provide all-weather road connectivity to habitations identified as unconnected as per the population norms based on the 2011 Census. The Ministry is working in close coordination with the State to sanction the identified habitations under PMGSY-IV.**

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