GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 831 TO BE ANSWERED ON 21.07.2016

WIDENING OF ROADS UNDER PMGSY

831. SHRI JAGDAMBIKA PAL:

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

- (a) whether the Government proposes to widen the roads in various States including Uttar Pradesh under Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana (PMGSY) during the year 2016-17;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the road from Basti to Sidharth Nagar has also been included under PMGSY; and
- (d) if so, the details of the timeframe for the construction of the road and if not, the reasons therefor?

ANSWER MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI RAM KRIPAL YADAV)

- (a) & (b): Rural Roads' is a State subject and 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 in the core network. As per Rural Roads Manual, IRC SP: 20 issued by the Indian Roads Congress (IRC) and based on recommendations of the Expert committee, the road way width prescribed for Plain and Rolling area is 7.50 m for Through Roads and 6.00 m for Link roads. The carriageway width for Through road is 3.75 m and Link road is 3.00 m. If a link road carries traffic more than 100 motorized vehicles per day, the carriageway width will be 3.75 m. In respect of Mountainous and steep area, the Roadway width is 6.00 m for both Through road and Link road and carriageway width is 3.75 m for Through roads and 3.00 m for Link roads. PMGSY II guidelines prescribe a carriageway width of 5.50 m and 9 m Roadway width based on the traffic intensity of roads and growth potential. Guidelines for the Design of Flexible Pavements for Low Volume Rural Roads IRC SP: 72 2015 published by the Indian Roads Congress (IRC) is being followed for designing the thickness of flexible pavements.
- (c) & (d): State Government has informed that road from Basti to Sidharth Nagar (NH-233) has not been included under PMGSY as the road is being constructed by National Highway Authority of India.
