

Vith Five Year Plan at a total cost of Rs. 38.82 lakhs (the ICAR cost being Rs. 30.55 lakhs on 75:25 basis). The Bidhan Chandra Krishi Vishwa Vidyalaya in West Bengal is proposed as one of the seven centres under this Project. The project is awaiting consideration and clearance of the Planning Commission and Ministry of Finance.

Grants-in-aid given to avard by K and VIC during last three Years

3051. PROF. K. K. TEWARI: Will the Minister of RURAL RECONSTRUCTION be pleased to state:

(a) whether any grants-in-aid have been given by the Khadi and village Industries Commission during the last three years to Association of Voluntary Agencies for Rural Development and

(b) if so, for what purpose have these grants been given?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND RURAL RECONSTRUCTION (SHRI BALESHWAR RAM): (a) and (b) The Khadi and Village Industries Commission gave Rs. 11,50,030/- as grant to the Association of Voluntary Agencies for rural development for providing financial assistance to 3965 artisans in Muzaffarpur district engaged in 10 village industries under the purview of KVIC on 30th May, 1979. The number of artisans proposed to be assisted by the Association in each industry was as follows :

S. No.	Name of Industry	No. of Artisans
1	2	3
1.	Pottery	517
2.	Blacksmithy	490

1	2	3
3.	Carpentary	489
4.	Leather	428
5.	Oil Ghani	393
6.	Bee-keeping	88
7.	Processing, packaging and marketing of cereals, pulses, spices, condiments, masalas etc.	35
8.	Fibre	813
9.	Cane and Bamboo	660
10.	Gur and Khandsari	52
		<u>3,965</u>

Out of this grant, the Association has since refunded Rs. 10,56,667.35 and they have been asked to refund the balance immediately.

Villages Connected with Motorable Roads

3052. SHRI RAM VILAS PASWAN:
 PROF. AJIT KUMAR MEHTA :
 SHRI CHANDRA DEO PRASAD VERMA :
 SHRI RASHEED MASOOD :
 SHRI MANGAL RAM PREMI :
 SHRI RAM PYARE PANIKA :

Will the Minister of RURAL RECONSTRUCTION be pleased to state:

(a) how many of the total number of villages in the country were connected with the motorable road at the end of March, 1981;

(b) how many of the remaining villages (with names of the States and the number of villages in each State) are likely to be connected with motorable roads during the Sixth Plan period and the allocation made for the purpose; and

(c) whether the allocation made is considered to be adequate; if not how the target during the Sixth Plan period is proposed to be met?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND RURAL RECONSTRUCTION (SHRI BALESHWAR RAM) : (a) Information as at the end of March, 1981 is not readily available and is being collected.

(b) Information about the number of villages in each State, as at the end of March, 1981, that are

likely to be connected during the Sixth Plan period with motorable roads is not readily available and is being collected. A statement showing state-wise allocation of funds for rural roads made under the minimum needs programme (MNP) for the Sixth Plan period is attached.

(c) The Sixth Five Year Plan (1980—85) envisages that the target for the rural roads programme under MNP will be that all villages with a population of 1500 and above and 50% of the villages with population between 1000 and 1500 will be connected with all weather roads by 1990 and that 50% of this target should be achieved by 1985. It is expected that with the outlay of Rs. 1165 crores provided for the programme in the Sixth Five Year Plan, almost all the States will achieve the MNP objective.

Statement

State-wise out for Rural Roads under Minimum Needs Programme during the Sixth Plan 1980—85, referred to in the reply to Lok Sabha Unstarred Q. No. 3052 by Shri Ram Vilas Paswan and others

(Rs in crores)

Sl. No.	States	Outlays
1	2	3
1.	Andhra Pradesh	15.00
2.	Assam	96.00
3.	Bihar	140.00
4.	Gujarat	135.00
5.	Haryana	3.50
6.	Himachal Pradesh	35.00
7.	Jammu and Kashmir	16.00
8.	Karnataka	45.00
9.	Kerala	13.00

1	2	3
10.	Madhya Pradesh	40.00
11.	Maharashtra	94.00
12.	Manipur	10.00
13.	Meghalaya	5.20
14.	Nagaland	3.25
15.	Orissa	30.00
16.	Punjab	20.00
17.	Rajasthan	65.00
18.	Sikkim	9.00
19.	Tamil Nadu	70.00
20.	Tripura	11.00
21.	Uttar Pradesh	315.00
22.	West Bengal	37.50
	Total for all States:	1148.45
<i>Union Territories</i>		
1.	Andaman and Nicobar Islands	4.50
2.	Arunachal Pradesh	3.00
3.	Chandigarh	0.10
4.	Dadra and Nagar Haveli	0.40
5.	Delhi	0.30
6.	Goa, Daman and Diu	0.25
7.	Lakshadweep	0.10
8.	Mizoram	7.20
9.	Pondicherry	0.60
	Total for all Union Territories	16.45
	Grand Total :	1165.90