

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
RURAL DEVELOPMENT  
LOK SABHA**

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DEVELOPMENT OF ROADS IN RURAL TRIBAL AREAS

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

- (a) the criteria for allocation of funds for development of roads in the rural and tribal areas;
- (b) the funds allocated for the purpose during the last three years and the current year, state-wise;
- (c) whether requests have been received from the States for enhancement of funds in this regard;
- (d) if so, the details thereof, State-wise;
- (e) the decision taken by the Government thereon;
- (f) the number of villages so far connected with roads, state-wise; (g) the time by which the work in the remaining villages is targetted to be completed and estimated expenditure involved therein;
- (h) whether the Government propose to execute this scheme as a centrally aided scheme; and
- (i) if not, the reasons therefor?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI SUNDAR LAL PATWA)

(a) to (i): A National Rural Roads Programme is currently being formulated to provide for construction of all-weather roads in rural areas. The matter has been discussed with the State authorities who are preparing requisite Master Plans and who have offered suggestions in regard to the funding of the Programme.