## GOVERNMENT OF INDIA RURAL DEVELOPMENT LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2189 ANSWERED ON:22.07.2004 OVERVIEW OF PMGSY Rao Shri Sambasiva Rayapati

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

- (a) whether Ministry of Rural Development has urged the Government to provide more funds for rural development during 2004-2005;
- (b) if so, whether the Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana will be increased from amount sanctioned Rs. 16029 crore for 2004-2005;
- (c) whether during the period till date over 31,000 habitations have been covered comprising a length of approximately 80,000 kms;
- (d) whether under PMGSY in the States all the eligible habitations with 1000 plus population have been connected in keeping with the schedule in 13 States;
- (e) if so, to what extent more funds have allotted for PMGSY; and
- (f) to what extent all the States, which were lagging behind, will be completed during 2004-2005?

## **Answer**

## MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI SURYAKANTA PATIL)

- (a) Ministry of Finance and Planning Commission have been addressed to provide an additionality of Rs. 2325 crore for the year 2004-05 on account of an additional cess of 50 paise per litre levied on HSD in the budget of 2003-04, and another Rs. 1500 crore for Upgradation of rural roads.
- (b) The proposed budget for 2004-05 is Rs. 2468 crore.
- (c) Yes, Sir.
- (d) The coverage of 1000+ populations in the various States is dependent on the number of such unconnected habitations and the allocation of funds under the PMGSY for the States.
- (e) & (f) Budget allocations for PMGSY is made on year-to-year basis by Government. Funds are released to the States depending on the progress made and expenditure incurred with reference to earlier released funds.