GOVERNMENT OF INDIA RURAL DEVELOPMENT LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:5168 ANSWERED ON:11.05.2007 WORLD BANK AID FOR PMGSY Siddeswara Shri Gowdar Mallikarjunappa

Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the details of funds given to certain States for developing rural roads under the Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana (PMGSY) under World Bank Phase-III Project;

(b)whether other States are likely to be included under this `yojana`; and

(c)if so, the details thereof?

Answer

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

(a) Under Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana (PMGSY), an agreement has been signed with the World Bank to provide a loan of US\$400 million for rural roads. Four States namely, Himachal Pradesh, Jharkhand, Rajasthan and Uttar Pradesh have been covered under this loan and a sum of Rs.1129.66 crore has been released to these States.

(b) to (c) For Rural Roads Project II, it is proposed to seek assistance of US\$500 million from the World Bank. It is proposed to cover five States, namely, Arunachal Pradesh, Bihar, Jammu & Kashmir, Mizoram and Uttaranchal under this project.