GOVERNMENT OF INDIA RURAL DEVELOPMENT LOK SABHA

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WORLD BANK PACKAGE FOR RURAL ROADS
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Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the World Bank has approved a 400 million package for development of rural roads in India;
- (b) if so, the details of allocation, State wise;
- (c) whether the loan will also support the Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana aimed at providing roads in rural areas;
- (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) the extent to which World Bank has agreed and the total loan so far provided by the World Bank for these projects?

Answer

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

(a) to (e) During 2004-05, the World Bank has approved credit/loan worth US \$ 399.50 million (US \$ 300 million as IDA credit and US \$ 99.50 million as IBRD loan) for funding the World Bank Phase I Project of Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana (PMGSY) in the States of Himachal Pradesh, Jharkhand, Rajasthan and Uttar Pradesh. Of this amount, US \$ 380.39 million (about Rs.1900 crore) will be for the construction of rural roads and the balance is for ancillary activities. The World Bank funds are in addition to the regular PMGSY funds.

Name of the State Amount (Rs. in crore)

Himachal Pradesh 176.60 Jharkhand 138.70 Rajasthan 403.60 Uttar Pradesh 542.30

Total: 1261.20

The fixed component allocated State-wise among the four project States is as follows: -

The balance of about Rs.639 crore will be allocated in annual tranches based on actual progress of the programme.