GOVERNMENT OF INDIA RURAL DEVELOPMENT LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3151 ANSWERED ON:19.08.2004 DECLINE IN ALLOCATION OF FUND UNDER PMGSY Singh Shri Sugrib

Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) the total allocations made for Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana during each of the last three years;
- (b) whether there has been sharp decline in the allocation of fund in the annual plan for 2004-05 for PMGSY; and
- (c) if so, the reasons therefor?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI A. NARENDRA)

(a) to (c) While the allocation of funds from the Central Road Fund for Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana (PMGSY) from 2000-01 to 2002-03 was Rs.2500 crore per year, it was reduced to Rs.2325 crore during 2003-04 and further reduced to Rs.2148 crore during 2004-05, reportedly on account of lower accruals from the cess on High Speed Diesel (HSD) into the Central Road Fund. The additional cess of 50 paise per litre imposed on HSD in the Union Budget of 2003-04 has so far not become available for PMGSY.