GOVERNMENT OF INDIA RURAL DEVELOPMENT LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1653 ANSWERED ON:08.03.2010 REVISION IN NORMS FOR ALLOCATION OF FUNDS UNDER PMGSY Pathak Shri Harin

Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is considering to change the norms for distribution of funds under Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana (PMGSY);

(b) if so; the details thereof;

(c) whether sufficient funds would be provided for roads constructed pre-PMGSY to make them of the same standard and strength as PMGSY roads; and

(d) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI PRADEEP JAIN `ADITYA`)

(a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) & (d) The Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana (PMGSY) allows upgradation of some pre-PMGSY roads to the same standard and strength as PMGSY roads. However, the upgradation is not central to the programme and hence cannot exceed 20% of the State's allocation as long as eligible unconnected habitations in the State exist. Also, under upgradation, priority is given to `Through Routes` of the Rural Core Network which carry more traffic.