

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RURAL DEVELOPMENT
LOK SABHA**

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SLOW PACE OF PROGRESS UNDER PMGSY
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Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana (PMGSY) is running behind the schedule;
- (b) if so, the percentage of targeted works completed and funds spent so far under this yojana;
- (c) the performance of States including Jharkhand in this regard;
- (d) the reasons for delay in the completion of projects as per schedule;
- (e) whether the National Rural Roads Development Agency (NRRDA) has temporarily frozen the release of fund for State; and
- (f) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor?

Answer

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

- (a) Yes Sir,
- (b) Under Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana (PMGSY), 49% of net eligible habitations have been connected and States have incurred expenditure of Rs.16,612.00 crore on road works upto January, 2010.
- (c) The performance of States including Jharkhand has been given in the Annexure-I & II.
- (d) Some of the reasons for delay in implantation of PMGSY projects are as under:
 - (i) Inadequate institutional capacity in some of the States,
 - (ii) Limited contracting capacity in some States,
 - (iii) Non availability of sufficient qualified technical personnel including engineers with the contractors,
 - (iv) Inadequate delegation of financial power to the SRRDA and the PIUs causing delay in the award of projects,
 - (v) Limited working season and adverse climatic conditions,
 - (vi) Unfavorable weather conditions i.e. a very long rainy season/flood have adversely affected the implementation of PMGSY projects in some States,
 - (vii) Non availability of construction materials in the locality.
 - (viii) Non availability of land and environmental clearance of the land falling in the forest areas.
 - (ix) Law & Order problems in some parts of the country.
 - (x) Limited availability of resources.
- (e) No, Sir.
- (f) Does not arise.