

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RURAL DEVELOPMENT
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:6016
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CONSTRUCTION OF ROADS UNDER PMGSY
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Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Bharat Nirman Programme launched by the Government in 2005 envisaged connecting all the villages having specified population with all weather roads;
- (b) if so, the salient features of the programme indicating the State-wise status of implementation thereof at the end of 2009 along with the cost budgeted vis-À-vis actually incurred thereunder, year-wise;
- (c) the details of revision, if any, of the programme;
- (d) the amount of cess on diesel collected, year-wise;
- (e) whether the Comptroller and Auditor General of India (CAG) has reviewed the implementation of the programme during these years;
- (f) if so, the details of observation made, if any, by the CAG in this regard; and
- (g) the reaction of the Government thereon?

Answer

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

(a) to (c): Under 'Rural Roads' component of Bharat Nirman, it is targeted to connect all unconnected habitations in rural areas having population of 1000 persons and above in plain areas and 500 persons and above in hilly or tribal areas with an all-weather road. The programme also has an 'Upgradation' component in order to ensure full farm to market connectivity. Funds for 'rural roads' component of Bharat Nirman are released under Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana (PMGSY). State-wise details of habitations connected under the programme till March, 2009 have been given in Annexure-A. Details of funds released & expenditure incurred under PMGSY during the period 2005-09 have been given in Annexure 'B'.

(d): Year-wise allocation of cess accrued on diesel and made available for PMGSY is as under:-

Year Amount (Rs. in crore)

2000-01 2,435.00

2001-02 2,500.00

2002-03 2,500.00

2003-04 2,325.00

2004-05 2,148.00

2005-06 3,809.50

2006-07 3,725.62

2007-08 3,825.00

2008-09 4,046.25

2009-10 4,183.13

(e) to (g): Comptroller and Auditor General of India (C&AG) had conducted Performance Audit of PMGSY between January and June 2005 covering the period 2000 to 2005. The details of the observation made by the C&AG are available in their Report (Report No.13 of 2006). The replies of the Ministry and the comments of Public Accounts Committee (PAC) are contained in the Seventy-Second and Eighty-Second Report of the PAC.