GOVERNMENT OF INDIA RURAL DEVELOPMENT LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:129 ANSWERED ON:26.07.2010 FUNDS ALLOCATED TO BIHAR FOR CONSTRUCTION OF ROADS IN RURAL AREAS Jaiswal Dr. Sanjay ;Yadav Shri Hukamdeo Narayan

Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the funds earmarked and actually provided to Bihar under Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana (PMGSY) for connecting the villages with roads phase-wise and the roads in kilometers constructed during the last three years and the current year;

(b) whether many roads in Bihar are lying incomplete on account of non-receipt of funds from the Union Government;

(c) if so, the reasons therefor;

(d) whether the Government has received reminders from the Government of Bihar in this regard;and

(e) if so, the details thereof and the action taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

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

(a) Details of funds allocated out of cess on diesel, funds released and roads constructed under Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana (PMGSY) in Bihar during last three years and the current year are as under:-

Year Funds Allocated Funds released Roads constructed (Rs. in crore) (Rs. in crore) (in Km.)

2007-08 337.00 733 1,665.35 2008-09 337.00 1,065 2,532.20 2009-10 287.81 1,751 2,843.27 2010-11 118.24 603 (upto 345.62 (upto 15th July, 2010) May, 2010)

(b) to (e): Funds are released to States/Union Territories under PMGSY keeping in view the requirements of funds, the absorption capacity and as per the provisions of PMGSY programme guidelines. Rs. 310 crore has been released to the State Government and Rs. 293 crore to the Central Agencies for ongoing rural road projects under PMGSY in Bihar during the current year (2010-11). All efforts are being made by the Ministry of Rural Development to release funds required for the completion of ongoing projects under PMGSY in Bihar. However, release of funds is subject to receipt of required information from the State Government and the Central Agencies.