

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RURAL DEVELOPMENT
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:922
ANSWERED ON:10.07.2009
NORMS UNDER PMGSY
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Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of proposals received and sanctioned by the Union Government regarding construction of bridges under the Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana (PMGSY) during the last three years and the current year, State-wise;
- (b) whether the Union Government has received any request from the State Governments for relaxation in norms under PMGSY;
- (c) if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) the action taken by the Government thereon?

Answer

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

(a): Number of proposals received and sanctioned by the Union Government for construction of long span bridges (exceeding 25 meters) under the Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana (PMGSY) during the last three years and the current year, State-wise is given in the Annexure.

(b): Yes, Sir.

(c): Chief Minister, Assam in his Memorandum submitted to the Hon'ble Prime Minister during his visit to Assam on 25th-26th August, 2008 had requested for review of Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana Guidelines so that PMGSY funds can be utilized for construction of bridges having span longer than 25 meters. In a review meeting held at Guwahati on 10th October, 2007 some States had also requested that long span bridges exceeding 25 meters may be funded under PMGSY.

(d): Ministry of Rural Development vide letter No.P-12025/8/2001-RC(Pt.) dated 17th December, 2008 has amended clause 8.5 (v) of PMGSY Programme Guidelines. Accordingly, bridges upto 50 meter lengths are now fully funded by Government of India under PMGSY. Earlier this limit was only 25 meters.

ANNEXURE

Annexure referred in reply to part(a) of Lok Sabha Unstarred Question No..922 to be answered on 10.7.2009

No. of proposals received and sanctioned for bridges having span more than 25 meters during the last three years and current year under PMGSY

S.No. State 2006-07 2007-08 2008-09 2009-10

1. Assam 188 95 230 -

2. Bihar (NEAs) - 23 40 -

3. Chattisgarh - 15 - -

4. Orissa - - 74 -

5. Tripura - - 14 -

