GOVERNMENT OF INDIA RURAL DEVELOPMENT LOK SABHA

STARRED QUESTION NO:206 ANSWERED ON:09.08.2010 PROJECTS UNDER PMGSY Bundela Shri Jeetendra Singh

Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the targets laid down for construction of roads under the Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana (PMGSY) since inception and the achievements made thereunder;

(b) whether the Government has undertaken any review of the projects made under the programme so far, in the recent past;

(c) if so, the details thereof;

(d) the number of proposals received from States under the programme during the last three years and the current year, State-wise; and

(e) the follow-up action taken thereon?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (DR. C.P. JOSHI)

(a) to (e): A statement is laid on the Table of the House.

Statement referred to in reply to part (a) to (e) of the Lok Sabha Starred Question No. 206 due for reply on 09.08.2010

(a) Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana (PMGSY) was launched on 25th December, 2000 with the target to provide all weather road connectivity to all unconnected habitations with population of 1,000 persons and above by 2002-03 and to all unconnected habitations with population of 500 persons and above by 2006-07. For Hill States (North East, Sikkim, Himachal Pradesh, Jammu & Kashmir, Uttarakhand), Desert Areas (as identified in the Desert Development Programme) and Tribal (schedule V) areas, all unconnected habitations with population of 250 persons and more are eligible for coverage under PMGSY. As on June, 2010, projects to connect 1,06,723 habitations have been sanctioned out of which 71,977 habitation have been connected with all weather roads under the programme.

(b) & (c) Yes, Sir. The Ministry of Rural Development is reviewing the progress of the projects and other aspect related to the execution of the programme with the States at regular intervals. This review is undertaken through Performance Review meetings and meeting of Empowered Committee in addition to the field visit of officers. In 2009-10, 8 meetings of the Empowered Committee and 2 meetings of Performance Review Committee (PRC) were held and in 2010-11, 1 PRC meeting and 2 Empowered Committee meetings have been held to review the progress of projects under PMGSY.

(d) A statement indicating the number of proposals received from States during last three years and the current year, State-wise, is given in Annexure -I.

(e) Proposals received from the States are examined in the National Rural Road Development Agency (NRRDA) to ascertain their technical suitability and eligibility as per PMGSY guidelines. After Examination, the proposals are placed before the Empowered Committee and after its recommendation, projects are sanctioned with the approval of Competent Authority. State wise details of the projects sanctioned in last three years and in the current year are given in Annexure-II.