

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RURAL DEVELOPMENT
LOK SABHA**

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ALL WEATHER ROADS

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Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the work for connecting rural inhabitations with all weather roads is being undertaken under the Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana (PMGSY):

(b) if so, the details thereof:

(c) whether 50 percent rural inhabitations in several States are yet to be provided road connectivity; and

(d) if so, the names of such States?

Answer

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

(a) & (b): Yes, Sir. The Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana (PMGSY) has been launched to provide all-weather connectivity to the eligible unconnected rural habitations with population of 500 persons and above in plain areas and 250 persons and above in hill States, tribal (Schedule-V) areas, desert areas (as identified in the Desert Development Programme) and Left Wing Extremism affected districts as identified by the Ministry of Home Affairs.

(c) & (d): More than 50% of habitations eligible for taking up under PMGSY have been connected for all States except Arunachal Pradesh, Bihar, Goa, Himachal Pradesh, Jammu & Kashmir, Jharkhand, Manipur, Meghalaya, Mizoram, Orissa, Sikkim and Uttarakhand.