

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
RURAL DEVELOPMENT  
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:4315

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PMGSY IN GUJARAT

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**Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the Union Government is aware that Gujarat has already achieved ninety eight per cent road connectivity to villages and whereas the priority of the Gujarat State is, therefore, upgradation of the existing rural roads, the State Government has submitted a proposal for upgradation of two thousand and two kilometers of rural roads under Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana (PMGSY);
- (b) if so, whether the Union Government has considered the proposal of inclusion of upgradation of roads under PMGSY guidelines;
- (c) the time by which the approval on the State`s proposal is likely to be given by the Union Government; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

**Answer**

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

(a) to (d) There are 3,661 eligible habitation for coverage under Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana (PMGSY) in Gujarat. Out of these, 371 habitations are either covered by other schemes or not found feasible under PMGSY. As such, 3,290 habitations are actually eligible for coverage under PMGSY in the State. The project proposals for providing connectivity to 2,532 (77% of eligible habitations) have been sanctioned under the programme till October, 2010. States have been advised to send the proposals conforming to the following four categories at present:

- (i) Residual new connectivity coverage envisaged under Phase-I of Bharat Nirman.
- (ii) Projects to be taken up with the assistance of World Bank and Asian Development Bank.
- (iii) New habitation connectivity in the identified Left Wing Extremism (LWE) affected districts.
- (iv) Special road connectivity packages announced for the border areas.