

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RURAL DEVELOPMENT
LOK SABHA**

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WEATHER ROADS UNDER BHARAT NIRMAN SCHEME
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Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) the total length of all weather roads in rural areas built in the country during the last three years under the Bharat Nirman Scheme, State-wise;
- (b) the number of complaints received about the sub-standard quality of materials used for construction of roads, State-wise; and
- (c) the number and length of roads that had to be repaired with six months of their operations?

Answer

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

- (a) Under Rural Road component of Bharat Nirman 66,680 km of road length has been constructed under New Connectivity and 70,051 km of road works have been upgraded during the last three years in the country. State-wise details of road works constructed and upgraded is given in Annexure- I.
- (b) State-wise details of complaints received about the sub-standard quality of road works constructed under PMGSY is given in Annexure II.
- (c) Rural Road is a State subject and PMGSY is a one-time a special intervention of Central Government to improve the Rural Infrastructure through construction of roads. The rural roads under PMGSY are constructed, maintained and owned by the respective State Government. As such, the responsibility to ensure maintenance of assets so created lies with the State Governments. As per provisions of the Standard Bidding Document (SBD), the roads constructed under Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana (PMGSY) are covered by 5- year maintenance contract to be entered into alongwith the construction contract with the same contractor and executed by the State Governments.