

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
RURAL DEVELOPMENT  
LOK SABHA**

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REMOTE VILLAGES UNDER PMGSY  
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**Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the Union Government proposes to extend the Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana (PMGSY) project to connect all remote villages with State Highways and National Highways;
- (b) if so, the details thereof, State-wise;
- (c) the funds allocated for the project for the year 2010-11; and
- (d) the time by which the project is likely to be completed?

**Answer**

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

(a)&(b): No, Sir. The primary objective of PMGSY is to provide single all weather connectivity to eligible unconnected habitations having 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 (LWE) affected areas. As per programme guidelines an unconnected habitations is one which is located at a distance of at least 500 m or more (1.5 km of path distance in case of Hills) from an all-weather road or a connected habitation.

(c): During the year 2010-11 at Budget Estimated (BE) stage, an amount of Rs. 22,000 crore, including Rs.10,000 crore as Internal and Extra Budgetary Resource (IEBR) component which is not likely to be tied up, has been allocated for the programme. In addition Rs.7,000 crore in First Supplementary Demand for Grants has been provided for the programme.

(d): It was targeted to achieve the objective by the year 2007. However, due to various factors including inadequate institutional and executional capacity of the States, the same could not be achieved. The targets for achievement under programme may spill over to 12th Plan.