GOVERNMENT OF INDIA RURAL DEVELOPMENT LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3847 ANSWERED ON:31.07.2009 WB ADB LOAN FOR RURAL ROADS Jaiswal Shri Gorakh Prasad ;Laguri Shri Yashbant Narayan Singh

Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) the total financial assistance received from the World Bank and the Asian Development Bank and the funds utilised so far for construction of roads in rural areas under the Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana (PMGSY);
- (b) whether the Government has requested any fresh loan from WB/ADB for construction of rural roads; and
- (c) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

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

- (a): Approval for financial assistance of US\$ 399.5 Million from World Bank and US\$ 764 Million from Asian Development Bank have been approved for implementation of the Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana (PMGSY). Out of this, as on 30th June, 2009 US\$ 278 Million from the World Bank and US\$588 Million from Asian Development Bank has been utilized.
- (b): Yes Sir.
- (c): A loan application for US\$ 185 Million has been submitted to ADB through Department of Economic Affairs, Ministry of Finance on 8th April 2009. This loan is proposed to be utilised for construction of 3000 km of rural roads in the States of Assam, Orissa and West Bengal.