

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RURAL DEVELOPMENT
LOK SABHA**

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ROAD NETWORK IN TRIBAL AREAS
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Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) the total length of tribal areas road network in the country as on 30 October, 2011;
- (b) the total number of tribal areas in Gujarat connected by road network by end of 30 October, 2011; and
- (c) the details of tribal areas to be provided road connectivity under the Eleventh Plan in the country state-wise, including Gujarat?

Answer

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

(a)to(c): Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana (PMGSY) is a Centrally Sponsored Scheme with the objective to provide All-weather road connectivity to all eligible unconnected habitations in rural areas of country. The programme envisages connecting all eligible unconnected habitations with a population of 500 persons and above in plain areas and 250 persons and above in Hill States, Tribal (Schedule V) areas, the Desert Areas (as identified in Desert Development Programme) and in the 78 Selected Tribal and Backward Districts under Integrated Action Plan (IAP) as identified by the Ministry of Home Affairs/Planning Commission. 'Rural road' is a State subject and the execution of PMGSY is done by the State Governments. PMGSY is an ongoing scheme and the state of connectivity to the unconnected eligible habitations including the Tribal (Schedule V) areas, are at various stages of implementation in the States under PMGSY.