

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RURAL DEVELOPMENT
LOK SABHA**

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PACE OF IMPLEMENTATION OF PMGSY
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Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is true that the pace of the implementation of the Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana (PMGSY) was slow;
- (b) if so, the reasons therefor;
- (c) whether it is true that the phase-I of PMGSY would be completed only in 2017;
- (d) whether it is also true that the PMGSY programme is 10 years behind schedule;
- (e) if so, the reasons therefor; and
- (f) the steps taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

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

(a) to (e): Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana (PMGSY) is an ongoing process with the objective to provide All-weather road connectivity to all eligible unconnected habitations in rural areas of country. Further `Rural road` is a State subject and the responsibility of execution /completion of works under PMGSY within the stipulated time limit given in programme guidelines, is that of the State Governments. Non-availability of lands and Forest clearance, limited institutional and contracting capacity, adverse climate/weather conditions etc. are some of the reasons for slow pace of the implementation of Programme in some of the States.

(f): The State Governments have been requested to take suitable necessary action to expedite the works under PMGSY. The following steps have been taken by the Ministry/National Rural Road Development Agency (NRRDA):-

- (i) States have been requested to augment executing capacity.
- (ii) Bidding documents provisions have been rationalized, and e-procurement started.
- (iii) Training is being imparted to field engineers for capacity building.
- (iv) Regular and structured review of Physical and Financial progress.