

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RURAL DEVELOPMENT
LOK SABHA**

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CONSTRUCTION OF ROADS IN TRIBAL AREAS
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Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government proposes to build more roads in tribal areas of the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the total habitations which are proposed to be connected with roads in tribal areas of the country; and
- (d) the total estimated cost of building roads in tribal areas of the country?

Answer

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

(a) & (b): The objective of Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana (PMGSY) is to provide connectivity to the eligible unconnected habitations in the core network with a population of 500 persons and above (as per 2001 census) in plain areas and 250 persons and above (as per 2001 Census) in Hill States, Tribal (Schedule V) areas, the Desert Areas (as identified in Desert Development Programme) and in the 82 Selected Tribal and Backward districts as identified by the Ministry of Home Affairs and Planning Commission under Integrated Action Plan (IAP). The proposals are considered under the above categories.

(c) & (d): The unit for the programme is a Habitation. All the Habitants of a Habitation covered are benefitted under the programme. Further, funds under the programme are released to the States in accordance with the programme guidelines for execution of the road works sanctioned under the programme.