

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RURAL DEVELOPMENT
LOK SABHA**

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PROJECTS UNDER PMGSY
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Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether in the naxal affected districts of the country, panchayats have been authorised to execute development projects under the Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana and other such central schemes;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the districts where the above projects have since been implemented in Odisha region;
- (d) the action plan to engage youth in the naxal areas of the country in employment to bring them in to the main stream of the country; and
- (e) the current status of Saranda project?

Answer

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

(a)&(b): Rural road is a State subject and Pradhan Mantra Gram Sadak Yojana (PMGSY) is an onetime special intervention for creation of rural infrastructure by way of construction of roads in rural area of the country which is executed by the State Rural Road Development Agencies in States. However, in implementation of other schemes of the Ministry of Rural Development such as Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Act (MGNREGA), Indira Awas Yojana (IAY) and National Social Assistance Programme (NSAP), a vital role has been assigned to Panchayats in the country including naxal affected districts.

(c): The Rural Developmental Schemes of the Ministry of Rural Development including Pradhan Mantra Gram Sadak Yojana (PMGSY) are being implemented in all districts of the State of Odisha.

(d): LWE Districts/NE Region and Bundelkhand region are the priority areas for the implementation of the placement linked skill development special projects under Sawarnjayanti Gram Swarozgar Yojana (SGSY)/National Rural Livelihood Mission (NRLM) programme.

(e): Project proposals for 9 road works and 1 bridge measuring length 103.48 km and 59.16 m respectively at a total cost of Rs.68 crore have been sanctioned for PMGSY under Saranda Development Plan.