GOVERNMENT OF INDIA RURAL DEVELOPMENT LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2946 ANSWERED ON:14.03.2013 TARGETS UNDER PMGSY Biswal Shri Hemanand

Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of funds that have been allocated under the Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana (PMGSY) over the last three years and the current year, State/UT-wise;
- (b) whether the Government is aware that the targets set for the year 2012-13 have not been achieved in certain States, especially in Odisha;
- (c) if so, the details thereof and the reasons for delay in achieving the targets in certain States;
- (d) whether there is a proposal to increase funding to States where the targets have not been met;
- (e) if so, the details thereof; and
- (f) the steps taken by the Government to ensure the timely completion of projects under the scheme?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI LALCHAND KATARIA)

- (a): The details of release of funds under PMGSY during the last three years and the current year, State/UT-wise and year-wise is at Annexure-I.
- (b): The programme is executed by the States and the responsibility of timely completion of the road works under the programme rests with them. As against the target of connecting 4,000 habitations and constructing 30,000 km road length including upgradation, achievement upto January, 2013 is 5,491 habitations and 18,080 km road length, respectively. State-wise details are given at Annexure-II.
- (c): The major reasons adversely affecting the implementation of the programme are as under:-
- (i) Limited institutional and contracting capacity in the States
- (ii) Non-availability of land and forest clearance
- (iii) Unfavorable weather conditions
- (d)&(e): The funds under PMGSY are released to States for the projects sanctioned based upon their demand, absorption capacity, works in hand and fulfilling of certain conditions laid down as per the programme guidelines for release of funds.
- (f): Regular and structured review of physical and financial progress is being carried out with the States to monitor the implementation of the Scheme.