

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RURAL DEVELOPMENT
LOK SABHA**

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CONSTRUCTION OF ROADS UNDER PMGSY IN JAMMU AND KASHMIR

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Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has reviewed works under the Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana (PMGSY) in various States particularly in Jammu and Kashmir;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the reaction of the Government thereto; and

(c) the steps taken/being taken by the Government to make the scheme more result oriented especially in Jammu and Kashmir?

Answer

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

(a)&(b): The progress made under the PradhanMantri Gram SadakYojana (PMGSY) by the State Government is monitored, reviewed and assessed through Regional Review meeting,Pre-Empowered Committee and Empowered Committee meetings and various monthly and quarterly progress reports and if required, instructions for expediting the project work are also issued.

A Regional Review Meeting was recently held at Srinagar,Jammu & Kashmirduring 10-11th June, 2013for reviewing the progress of works under PMGSY for the five States of Himachal Pradesh, Haryana, Jammu & Kashmir, Punjab and Uttarakhand. Progress of State of Jammu & Kashmir was also reviewed during Empowered Committee meetings held on 20th January 2012 and 10th May, 2012.

(c): The Ministry has cleared project proposals of Rs.5,269.61crore for construction of 1,984 works covering a road length of 10,154.80 km under the Scheme till June, 2013. Out of which, the State has completed 790 works (39.81%) covering 4,458.13 km with an expenditure of Rs.2,101.91crore.

The State Government of Jammu & Kashmir was allocated Rs. 577.00 crores for Private/Forest Land Acquisition under Prime Minister's Reconstruction Plan (PMRP) against an estimated cost of Rs. 1, 277 crores by the Planning Commission during the 11th Five Year Plan. Recently, the State Government had requested to provide an amount of Rs. 710.00 crore for land acquisition related to PMGSY projects. Accordingly,the Cabinet has approved the proposal of Rs. 710.00 crore (at 2013-14 prices) (in two tranches) under PMGSY for the State of Jammu & Kashmir as a special one-time dispensation as the cost of land acquisition covering compensatory afforestation, forest land, trees, private land and structures for completion of PMGSY programme as per the original approved Core Network.