

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
RURAL DEVELOPMENT  
LOK SABHA**

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CONSTRUCTION OF ROADS UNDER PMGSY  
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**Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:**

- (a) the number of roads proposed to be constructed in Bihar under PradhanMantriGram SadakYojana (PMGSY) in the year 2013-14;
- (b) whether there is also a proposal to construct motorable roads connecting villageshaving population of more than one thousand;
- (c) if so, the time by which the construction of the said roads are likely to be sanctioned; and
- (d) if not, the reasons therefor?

**Answer**

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

(a)to (d) PradhanMantri Gram SadakYojana (PMGSY) is a Centrally Sponsored Scheme with the objective to provide all-weather road connectivity to all eligible unconnected habitations as per the Core Network in the rural areas. The programme guidelines envisage connecting all eligible unconnected habitations 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 Special Category States (Arunachal Pradesh, Assam, Manipur, Meghalaya, Mizoram, Nagaland, Sikkim, Tripura Himachal Pradesh, Jammu & Kashmir and Uttrakhand), Tribal (Schedule-V) areas, the Desert Areas (as identified in Desert Development Programme) and in Selected Tribal and Backward Districts (as identified by the Ministry of Home Affairs/Planning Commission). The unit for the programme is a habitation and not a revenue village.

During the financial year 2013-14, this Ministry has cleared 2,367 road works and 189 Long Span Bridges covering a length of 5,517.28 kms amounting to Rs.4,024.23 crore under PMGSY.