

**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) whether there is any provision to construct roads on either side of the railway crossing located near and adjacent to villages under Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana (PMGSY);
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) if not, the reasons therefor?

**Answer**

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

(a)to(c) Rural Roads is a State subject and Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana (PMGSY) is a one-time special intervention to provide all weather single road connectivity to all eligible unconnected habitations existing in the core network in rural areas of the country. The programme envisages connecting all eligible unconnected habitations by way of an all-weather road as per Core Network with a population of 500 persons (as per 2001 Census) and above in plain areas and 250 persons and above (as as per 2001 Census) in Special Category States (Arunachal Pradesh, Assam, Manipur, Meghalaya, Mizoram, Nagaland, Sikkim, Tripura Himachal Pradesh, Jammu & Kashmir and Uttarakhand), 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 Government has recently launched PMGSY-II which envisages consolidation of the existing Rural Road Network to improve its overall efficiency as a provider of transportation services for people, goods and services. It aims to cover upgradation of existing selected rural roads based on their economic potential and their role in facilitating the growth of rural market centers and rural hubs. Under PMGSY, the unit of programme is a habitation and not a revenue village.

Under PMGSY, the Programme guidelines do not have any specific provision for construction of road on either side of the railway crossing located near and adjacent to villages.