GOVERNMENT OF INDIA RURAL DEVELOPMENT LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3735 ANSWERED ON:13.02.2014 DEVELOPMENT OF RURAL ROADS Singh Shri Prabhunath

Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether National Bank for Agriculture and Rural Development (NABARD) has provided funds for the development of rural roads in Bihar;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the number of villages connected to roads constructed with the funds provided by NABARD?

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 Central intervention for creation of rural road infrastructure by way of providing single all weather connectivity to the eligible unconnected Habitations as per guidelines in rural areas of the country. The current sources of funds in the Scheme are Cess on High Speed Diesel and Budgetary Support. In addition, the loans from ADB, World Bank and NABARD have also been taken which are to be repaid as per schedule. In order to implement the programme, the Ministry has cleared project proposals of Rs.26,984 crore for construction of 16,547 road works covering a length of 55,058kms under the Scheme till date for the State of Bihar. As reported by the State, the State has completed 7,204 road works covering 28,945kms length with an expenditure of Rs.11,264 crore. In addition, the State is also constructing and upgrading the rural roads under the State schemes by utilizing the State funds and other sources of funds.