GOVERNMENT OF INDIA PLANNING LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2106 ANSWERED ON:02.12.2009 FUNDS FOR BHARAT NIRMAN YOJANA Majhi Shri Pradeep Kumar

Will the Minister of PLANNING be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has allocated additional funds for implementation of Bharat Nirman Programmes;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the details of the targets fixed and achieved under the said programme; and
- (d) the extent to which the additional allocation has been utilized?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRI V. NARAYANASAMY)

(a) to (d): Government launched Bharat Nirman five years ago as a time-bound business plan for rural infrastructure. It has succeeded in reaching basic infrastructure of roads, electricity and telephone to a large number of villages. It has also achieved most of the targets of rural water supply, rural housing and has increased irrigation potential. Government of India has stepped up the allocation for Bharat Nirman from Rs. 31,280 crore for 2008-09(BE) to Rs. 45,500 Crore for 2009-10 (BE) which is an increase of 45 %. Government has stepped up the allocation for Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana (PMGSY) programme by 59% over BE 2008-09 to Rs. 12,000 crore. Government has also allocated Rs. 7000 crore to Rajiv Gandhi Gramin Vidyutikaran Yojana (RGGVY) which represents a 27% increase over 2008-09 (BE). The allocation for the Indira Awaas Yojana (IAY) has been increased by 63 per cent to Rs. 8, 800 crore in Budget Estimates 2009-10. To broaden the pace of rural housing, Government has proposed to allocate, from the shortfall in the priority sector lending of commercial banks, a sum of Rs. 2,000 crore for rural housing fund in the National Housing Bank (NHB).

The details of the targets fixed and achieved under the Bharat Nirman Programme is given in annexure attached.