

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RURAL DEVELOPMENT
LOK SABHA**

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

- (a) whether the Government has any proposal to widen the roads constructed under the Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana (PMGSY) as a follow up of the study conducted on the increasing problem of traffic in rural areas;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the time by which the said proposal is likely to be implemented; and
- (c) the number of roads proposed to be covered under the scheme, State-wise?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI UPENDRA KUSHWAHA)

(a) to (c) The Government of India has launched on 1st May, 2013 Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana-II (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. PMGSY-II focuses on upgradation of existing selected rural roads based on their economic potential and their role in facilitating the growth of rural market centres and rural hubs. Under PMGSY-II, the States are required to undertake an independent traffic study of eligible rural roads under the District Rural Roads Plan (DRRP) in order to assess the traffic projection which enables the States to decide on the carriageway width of the eligible roads. Under PMGSY-II, a total road length of 50,000 Km has been approved for upgradation in the 12th Five Year Plan period. State-wise allocation of road length under PMGSY-II is given at Annexure.