

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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LOK SABHA**

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FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE UNDER PMGSY AND PURA
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Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has increased the financial assistance for the Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana (PMGSY) and the Provision of Urban Amenities in Rural Areas (PURA) in the country;
- (b) if so, the details of funds allocated, disbursed and utilized so far during each of the last three years and the current year under the said schemes, State/UT- wise including Karnataka; and
- (c) the details of the proposals received by the Government including the financial requirement from various State Governments along with the status thereof, State/UT-wise?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI SUDARSHAN BHAGAT)

(a)&(c)'Rural Roads' is a State subject and Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana (PMGSY) is a one-time special intervention of Government of India to provide a single all-weather road connectivity to all eligible unconnected habitations, existing in the Core Network, in rural areas of country. The programme envisages 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 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 PMGSY permits upgradation (to prescribed standards) of existing rural roads in districts where all the eligible habitations of the designated population size have been provided all weather road connectivity. For most intensive IAP blocks as identified by the Ministry of Home Affairs the unconnected habitations with population 100 and above (as per 2001 Census) would be eligible to be covered under PMGSY.

The Budget Estimate (BE) for PMGSY during 2014- 15 was Rs.14,391 crore and the Revised Estimate (RE) was Rs.14,200 crore. The BE during 2015-16 for PMGSY is Rs.14,291 crore. The allocation under PMGSY are made based on the value of balance works in hand, unspent balance available etc. The request/proposals received from the States regarding release of funds under PMGSY are examined as per PMGSY guidelines and the State-wise details of fund released and utilized by the States during the last three years and the current year are given at Annexure.

A mission for Provision of Urban Amenities in Rural Areas (PURA) was launched for the holistic and accelerated development of compact areas around a potential growth centre in a Gram Panchayat (or a group of Gram Panchayats) through Public Private Partnership (PPP) framework for providing livelihood opportunities and urban amenities to improve the quality of life in rural areas. The proposals under PURA are not received from the State Government directly rather they are posed by private entities under PPP framework. The details of allocation and expenditure under PURA are as follows:-

Unit/	Annual Plan 2011-12			Annual Plan 2012-13			Annual Plan 2013-14			Annual Plan 2014-15		
Sector	BE	RE	Actual	BE	RE	Actual	BE	RE	Actual	BE	RE	Actual
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