

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
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DEPARTMENT OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT

**LOK SABHA**  
**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 774**  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 07.02.2019

**CONSTRUCTION OF ROADS IN RURAL AREAS OF JHARKHAND**

**774. SHRI RAM TAHAL CHOUDHARY:**

Will the Minister of **RURAL DEVELOPMENT** be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government proposes to take any initiative for construction of roads in the rural areas of the State of Jharkhand;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government proposes to give financial assistance in this regard;
- (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) if not, the reasons therefor?

**ANSWER**  
**MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT**  
**(SHRI RAM KRIPAL YADAV)**

(a)& (b): Rural Roads' is a State subject and Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana (PMGSY) is a one-time special intervention to provide rural connectivity, by way of a single all-weather road, to the eligible unconnected habitations in the core network with a population of 500 persons and above (Census 2001) in plain areas. In respect of North Eastern States (i.e. Arunachal Pradesh, Assam, Manipur, Meghalaya, Mizoram, Nagaland, Sikkim and Tripura) and Hill States (i.e. Himachal Pradesh, Jammu & Kashmir and Uttarakhand), the Desert Areas (as identified in the Desert Development Programme), the Tribal (Schedule V) areas and Selected Tribal and Backward Districts (as identified by the Ministry of Home Affairs (MHA) and the erstwhile Planning Commission), the objective is to connect eligible unconnected habitations with a population of 250 persons and above (Census 2001). In the critical Left Wing Extremism affected blocks (as identified by MHA), additional relaxation has been given to connect habitations with population 100 persons and above (2001 census).

Since inception of the Scheme till 4<sup>th</sup> February, 2019, the State of Jharkhand has been sanctioned a total of 26,641.90 Km road length, out of which 20,885.88 Km road length has been completed and the remaining are in progress stage.

(c)to (e): Rs. 6535.94 crore has been released to the State since inception till December, 2018 for implementation of the PMGSY. As reported by the State Government, an expenditure of Rs. 7,269.58 crore has been incurred till December, 2018.