

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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LOK SABHA**

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MAINTENANCE OF ROADS AND PLANTATIONS UNDER PMGSY

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Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) the agencies to whom the work of repair/maintenance of roads and plantation of trees under Prime Minister Gram Sadak Yojana have been entrusted;
- (b) the number of years for which such contracts has been given;
- (c) the total length of roads on which plantation of trees has been carried out under this Yojana; and
- (d) the details of success rate of such tree plantation schemes, State-wise?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI SURYAKANTA PATIL)

(a) to (d) The road works being constructed under PMGSY are covered by 5 year maintenance contract along with the construction contract with the same Contractor in accordance with the Standard Bidding Document (SBD). Maintenance funds to service the contract are budgeted by the State Governments and placed at the disposal of respective State Rural Roads Development Agency (SRRDA) in a separate maintenance account. All contracts are being managed by the State Executing Agencies through respective Programme Implementation Units (PIUs).

PMGSY Guidelines provide for plantation of fruit bearing and other suitable trees on both sides of the roads, by the State Governments/Panchayats from their own funds. Since plantation of trees is the responsibility of the State Governments / Panchayats from their own funds, specific road-wise data and the length upto which the plantation of trees has been done is not being maintained by the Ministry of Rural Development.