

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RURAL DEVELOPMENT
LOK SABHA**

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IMPROVEMENT OF RURAL ROADS .
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Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) Whether the Government is aware that most of the rural roads from National Highway No.2 to Goverdhan, Barsana, Kokila Van and Vrindavan and from Bahadurgarh to Beri via Jhajhar and from Beri to Najafgarh are in bad shape; and

(b) If so, the steps proposed to be taken by the Government to get the condition of these roads improved forthwith?

Answer

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

(a) `Rural Roads` is a State subject and the State Governments are responsible for maintaining such roads in good condition. However, the Ministry of Rural Development implements Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana (PMGSY) in all States to provide connectivity to unconnected habitations of designated population size, which would also include upgradation of existing eligible rural roads in the Core Network. The proposal for taking up such road works under PMGSY is to be initiated by the State Government concerned.

(b) The Government of Uttar Pradesh has intimated that the following road works have been sanctioned under the State Road Project:

(i) National Highway No. 2 to Goverdhan.

(ii) National Highway No. 2 to Barsana.

(iii) National Highway No. 2 to Kokila Van.

(iv) National Highway No. 2 to Vrindavan.

The Government of Haryana has reported that the stretch from Jhajhar to Beri was improved under PMGSY in 2004, but the road gets settled at some locations due to poor subsoil conditions and such repair works are attended to as and when need arises. Also, the State Government has taken up work for improvement of the road from Dhansa border to Jhajhar.