

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RURAL DEVELOPMENT
LOK SABHA**

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GUIDELINES CRITERIA FOR PMGSY
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Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether there is criteria for allocation of fund to the States under Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether allocation for Andhra Pradesh and Manipur has been revised by huge margin while allocation for other States remain unchanged;
- (d) if so, the reasons therefor; and
- (e) the guidelines being issued by the Government to provide more funds and formulate schemes with the suggestions of the concerned public representatives of the areas ?

Answer

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

(a) and (b) The allocation to the States/Union Territories is based on, inter alia, a weightage of 75% for Need (share of unconnected Habitations in the total unconnected Habitations of the country) and 25% on Coverage (share of connected Habitations in the total connected Habitations of the country).

(c) and (d) As per the criteria, the annual allocations of Andhra Pradesh and Manipur are Rs. 90 crore and Rs. 20 crore, respectively out of a total of Rs 2500 crore. In the first year of the programme i.e. 2000-01, Rs 190 crore for Andhra Pradesh and Rs 40 crore for Manipur were released as Additional Central Assistance by the Ministry of Finance based on allocations made by Planning Commission. In 2001-02, in order to accelerate the programme, proposals equal to twice the allocation of 2000-01 were cleared. Funds were released accordingly to all States during 2001-02 and 2002-03. From 2003-04, the annual allocation of Andhra Pradesh was restored to Rs. 90 crore and annual allocation of Manipur was restored to Rs. 20 crore.

(e) Under the PMGSY guidelines annual proposals are to be framed by the District Panchayats and full consideration is to be given to the suggestions of elected representatives.