

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
FINANCE  
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:599

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BHARAT NIRMAN

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**Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:**

(a) whether Prime Minister has asked Union Finance Minister to direct the National Bank for Agricultural and Rural Development (NABARD) to create a separate financing window to `bridge the funding gap` in the rural roads and irrigation works components of Bharat Nirman ;

(b) if so, whether Bharat Nirman is a time bound business plan for four years for rural infrastructure covering roads, electrification, water supply, irrigation, housing and telephone connectivity ;

(c) whether the Government has made available 30,000 crores for Bharat Nirman from international revenue mobilization and external existence of fund gap of Rs.4000 crore per annum remains to be bridged,

(d)whether NABARD has been asked to provide this gap; and

(e)if so, the other directions issued by the Prime Minister in this regard and the steps being taken to implement the proposed plans for rural development ?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI S.S.PALAMMANICKAM)

(a)to(e) : The information is being collected and will be kid on the Table of the House.