

Title: Need to provide funds for acceleration of works under Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana in Orissa-laid.

SHRI RUDRAMADHAB RAY (KANDHAMAL): The Pradhan mantra Gram Sadak Yozana was launched on 25 December, 2000 by Government of India as a 100% central sponsored scheme to provide road connectivity in rural areas of the country. For Orissa a sum of rupees 9958.47 crores has been sanctioned by Government of India since the inception of scheme by the end of 2009-10, Rs. 5197.22 Crores have been received by the State Government of Orissa and Rs. 5371.99 Crores have been spent which is more than the amount received by the State Government. Similarly, the construction for 29, 189.43 KMs of road laid over 7488 number of routes has been identified. So far, construction of only 49.89%. of road under the Project has been completed. Due to lack of funds, it is difficult to complete ongoing projects for providing connectivity to the people of the region. For the year 2010-11 at least 2500 Crores Rupees may be provided to accelerate the pace of execution.

I urge upon the Government provide at least Rs. 2500 Crores immediately to accelerate the pace of work under Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana in Orissa.