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Title: Regarding poor road-connectivity in Araku Parliamentary Constituency of Andhra Pradesh.

SHRIMATI KOTHAPALLI GEETHA (ARAKU): I would like to draw the attention of the Government towards the poor connectivity of roads in Araku constituency, which is located in the North coast of Andhra Pradesh and is a tribal area.

I would like to bring to the notice of the Ministry of Rural Development the fact that in spite of repeated appeals to the district administration, the performance of Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana is quite poor and hence no allocation was made to the district of Vizianagaram, Visakhapatnam and East Godavari since 2013. Many works which were started have been left unfinished and some works are non-starters till date.

Due to this situation, providing connectivity to the tribal areas has been inordinately delayed. Without connectivity other issues relating to health infrastructure, education infrastructure and welfare activities cannot be addressed. Hence, I request the Minister of Rural Development to kindly intervene and issue necessary instructions to immediately complete the pending works and also to initiate the new works as may be required to ensure proper connectivity to all the villages.