

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT
DEPARTMENT OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT**

**LOK SABHA
STARRED QUESTION NO. 349
ANSWERED ON 25/03/2025**

IMPLEMENTATION OF PMGSY IN WEST BENGAL

***349. SHRI RAJU BISTA:**

Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) the present status of implementation of Pradhan Mantri Gramin Sadak Yojana (PMGSY) since 2019 in West Bengal;**
- (b) the number of roads sanctioned under PMGSY scheme since 2019 in Darjeeling and Kalimpong districts under PMGSY scheme; and**
- (c) the details of projects, roads constructed/under construction and in progress along with the funds allocated for Darjeeling and Kalimpong districts under PMGSY, block-wise?**

**ANSWER
MINISTER OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT
(SHRI SHIVRAJ SINGH CHOUHAN)**

(a) to (c): A statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED IN REPLY TO PARTS (A) TO (C) OF LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 349 DUE FOR ANSWER ON 25.03.2025.

(a): Under the Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana (PMGSY), a total of 562 roads of 4,237 km length and 26 bridges have been sanctioned since year 2019 to the State of West Bengal. During this period, the State has constructed 1,921 roads of 5,743 Km length and 54 bridges under various interventions/ verticals of PMGSY, which includes completion of works sanctioned earlier.

(b): Since 2019, a total of 14 roads of 110 km length and 1 bridge have been sanctioned in Darjeeling district and 9 roads of 66 km length and 2 bridge have been sanctioned in Kalimpong district under PMGSY.

The Government of India has recently launched phase IV of PMGSY in September 2024 to provide all-weather connectivity to 25,000 unconnected habitations of population size 500+ in plains, 250+ in NE & Hill States/UTs, special category areas (Tribal Schedule V, Aspirational Districts/Blocks, Desert areas) and 100+ in Left Wing Extremism Affected (LWE) affected areas, as per Census 2011. The timeline for completion of PMGSY-IV is March 2029. The Ministry is coordinating closely with the State Governments and providing the required assistance for submission of proposals under the scheme.

(c): The block wise details of projects/ roads sanctioned, completed along with expenditure in respect of Darjeeling and Kalimpong districts under PMGSY, since 2019, are as under:-

Block wise details of projects under PMGSY for Darjeeling district

(Road length in km and expenditure in ₹ crore)

| Name of Block | Sanctioned | | | Completed | | | Balance@ | | | Expenditure (including State Share) |
|---------------------------|--------------|-------------|----------|--------------|-------------|----------|--------------|-------------|----------|-------------------------------------|
| | No. of roads | Road Length | Bridges | No. of roads | Road Length | Bridges | No. of roads | Road Length | Bridges | |
| Dar-Pulbazar | 3 | 36 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 36 | 0 | 0 |
| Jorebunglow-Sukhiapokhari | 4 | 25 | 1 | 2 | 8 | 1 | 2 | 16 | 0 | 14 |
| Kurseong | 3 | 18 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 18 | 0 | 0 |
| Mirik | 2 | 9 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 9 | 0 | 0 |
| Ranglirangliot | 2 | 22 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 22 | 0 | 0 |
| Total | 14 | 110 | 1 | 2 | 8 | 1 | 12 | 101 | 0 | 14 |

@ Balance road length may vary from the difference of sanctioned and completed length due to reduction in road length, change in alignment, construction of part length by other agencies, etc.

**Block wise details of projects under PMGSY for Kalimpong district
(Road length in km and expenditure in ₹ crore)**

| Name of Block | Sanctioned | | | Completed | | | Balance@ | | | Expenditure (including State Share) |
|---------------|--------------|-------------|----------|--------------|-------------|----------|--------------|-------------|----------|-------------------------------------|
| | No. of roads | Road Length | Bridges | No. of roads | Road Length | Bridges | No. of roads | Road Length | Bridges | |
| Garubathan | 3 | 27 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 27 | 0 | 0 |
| Kalimpong | 2 | 14 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 14 | 1 | 4 |
| Lava | 2 | 14 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 14 | 0 | 0 |
| Pedong | 2 | 11 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 11 | 0 | 0 |
| Total | 9 | 66 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 9 | 66 | 1 | 4 |

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The Central funds under PMGSY are released to the State Governments as a single unit. It is the responsibility of the State to release these funds, along with State share, to district and sub-

district level. The release of funds to States/ UTs for implementation of PMGSY is done on the basis of the proposal received from the State and it depends, inter-alia, on works in hand, execution capacity of the State, unspent funds available with the State and compliance with programme guidelines.

Since 2019, an amount of Rs 1,962.81 crore has been released as Central share to the State of West Bengal under PMGSY and the State has incurred expenditure of Rs 4,611.19 crore (including state share). The State has incurred expenditure of ₹ 14 crore in Darjeeling District and ₹ 4 crore expenditure incurred in Kalimpong district, till date.

The timeline for completion of PMGSY-III works is March, 2025.
