

Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana (PMGSY)

A Pathway to Rural Connectivity in Himachal Pradesh

October 31, 2023

“Each rural citizen craves for pakka roads. It’s a huge task. We have made efforts to fast-track it. Earlier 70-75 Km of rural roads were completed in a day. Now we have increased that pace up to 100 KM a day. This pace will fulfil the aspirations of common man in the days to come.”

- [Prime Minister Narendra Modi](#)

Rural Road connectivity is a key component of rural development by promoting access to economic and social services and thereby generating increased agricultural incomes and productive employment opportunities. Against this backdrop, **Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana (PMGSY)** was launched by the Government of India to provide connectivity to unconnected Habitations.¹ The scheme's Phase-I, II, and III were subsequently launched in the years 2000, 2013, and 2019 respectively. Additionally, in 2016, **Road Connectivity Project for Left Wing Extremism Affected Areas (RCPLWEA)** was launched for the construction/upgradation of strategically important roads, as a separate vertical under PMGSY to improve the road connectivity in 44 worst affected LWE districts and some adjoining districts in 9 States.² The progress made under PMGSY is as follows:



data as on October 30, 2023

¹ <https://pmgsy.nic.in/>

² <https://pib.gov.in/PressReleasePage.aspx?PRID=1845369>

PMGSY: Strengthening Rural Roads Network in Himachal Pradesh

Himachal Pradesh has made remarkable strides in the implementation of the Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana (PMGSY) by completing the construction of 20,893 kilometres of rural roads in the state (as on October 30, 2023). This represents a significant 84% completion of the target set at 24,656 kilometres, underscoring the state's unwavering commitment to fulfilling the promise of enhancing rural connectivity.

2004-05 to 2013-14

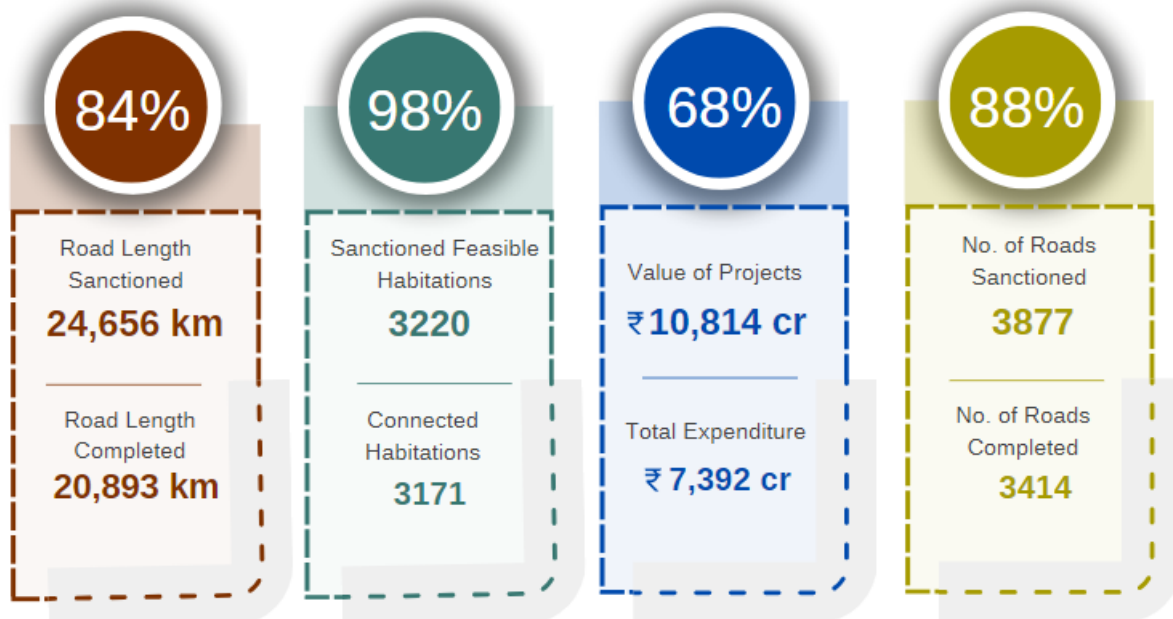


2014-15 to 2023-24*



*data till October 30, 2023

In addition to the extensive road network expansion, the Government's dedication to enhancing infrastructure and accessibility is exemplified by the construction of **94 Long Span Bridges (LSB)**. Details of progress under PMGSY in Himachal Pradesh is as follows:



data as on October 30, 2023

The PMGSY has been a crucial initiative in Himachal Pradesh, as it plays a pivotal role in improving the lives of rural residents by ensuring access to better transportation, healthcare facilities, and educational opportunities. Further information on the performance of the state under the scheme can be found [here](#).

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