

Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana-IV

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The Union Cabinet has approved the <u>Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana</u> - IV (PMGSY-IV) for the period 2024-25 to 2028-29, aiming to enhance rural connectivity by constructing **62,500 km of new all-weather roads**.

- Coverage: The initiative will connect 25,000 unconnected habitations with populations of over 500 in plains, over 250 in Northeast and hill states, and over 100 in <u>Left Wing Extremism</u> (<u>LWE</u>)-affected districts.
 - The new roads are expected to catalyse socio-economic development in remote rural areas and improve access to educational, health, market, and growth centres. The scheme is designed to create 40 crore human-days of work employment.
- PMGSY is a central government scheme launched in 2000 to provide all-weather road connectivity to unconnected rural habitations.
 - The scheme was originally a 100% centrally-sponsored initiative, but starting from the financial year 2015-16, the funding has been shared between the Central and State governments in a 60:40 ratio.
 - Around 800,000 kilometres of rural roads have been built and 180,000 habitations were connected under various phases of the PMGSY scheme.

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