

GOVERNMENT OF JAMMU & KASHMIR

Chief Minister's Monitoring Cell

PHYSICAL VERIFICATION REPORT OF "PMGSY Roads-Kishtwar" Division Chhatroo



By
Under Secretary,
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Name of the scheme (PMGSY Road)	Chatroo to Maliknar	Udil Gujran to Batwari	Mulchitter Paien to Mulchitter Bala
Contractors	M/S Javed Iqbal Wani	M/S Azad Constructions	M/S Ajay Kapoor Buildcon Pvt. Ltd.
Sanctioned cost	203.76	184.61	278.59
Date of start as per agreement	27-10-2008	28-07-2009	19-12-2008
Likely date of completion	12/2011	12/2011	12/2011
Length of road report to have been constructed	2.75	2.50	5.00
Financial achievement	91.36	103.34	142.65

(As reported by Executive Engineer PMGSY Chatroo)

Field Observation:

During field visit it was observed that only signboards were installed at the take off points indicating details, such as, name of road, cost of project, funding agency, length to be developed, etc. However, besides the signboards no roads were visible at the take off points. The Executive Engineer informed that the earthwork part for construction of road has been executed but was washed away due to landslide along the hill slope about 4-5 months back. The debris of the landslide had taken the shape of a slope with no path to go ahead. However, up to a distance of about 1 km some earthwork seems to have been carried out but its difficult to tell if the road was actually constructed as was reported by the Executive Engineer (please see pictures).

2. It will not be out of place to mention here that some of the roads taken up under PMGSY are to be maintained for a period of 5 years by the contractor to whom the work has been assigned. Even if the claim of the Executive Engineer about the construction of road is considered true, the debris should have been removed by the executing department/contractor and work resumed. But no work was in progress at site. When asked if any action has been taken against the contractor, it was brought to notice that the Executive Engineer has time and again requested the contractor to resume the work but with no results. No action has been taken against the contractor. *(The communication*

addressed to respective contractors including wireless messages are attached to the report).

3. The story of some other newly constructed roads under PMGSY in all the three divisions of Kishtwar is same.

4. It is important to mention here that the primary objective of the PMGSY is to provide connectivity, by way of an all-weather road (with necessary culverts and cross-drainage structures, which is operable throughout the year), to the eligible unconnected habitations in the rural areas. Road connectivity is not only a key component of Rural Development by promoting access to economic and social services and thereby generating increased agricultural incomes and productive employment opportunities in J&K, it is also as a result, a key ingredient in ensuring sustainable poverty reduction. But after visiting these proposed PMGSY roads in Kishtwar, it appears that there is a massive gap between the objective of PMGSY and its execution.

5. In light of above facts it is suggested that the PMGSY roads in Kishtwar (new constructions) in all the three divisions may be investigated through the Chief Engineer, PWD Jammu for :-

- (a) Verifying whether the expenditure incurred on the work done by the executing agency is in consonance with the PMGSY norms and if earthwork of these roads was carried out, was it in compatibility with engineering requirements?
- (b) Whether the delay is deliberate or inadvertent & if so the reasons thereof?
- (c) To fix the responsibility on erring officials/contractors and also suggest further steps required for restarting the work.
- (d) If reply to (a) is in negative, the case seems fit to be referred to the State Vigilance Organization for investigation.

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UDIL GUGRAN TO BATWARI



UDIL GURGAN TO BATWARI 2



CHATROO TO MALIKNAR 1



CHATROO TO MALIKNAR 2