

Road and Bridge Repair & Maintenance Program (3054-2419)

1) Since when has this scheme been implemented?

Answer: The "Road and Bridge Repair & Maintenance Program" (Budget Head 3054-2419) has been implemented by the Rural Development Department since the financial year 2012-13. Before that, the implementation was carried out by the Public Works Department.

2) What is the objective of this scheme?

Answer: The objective of the scheme is to maintain and repair Village Roads and Other District Roads, along with the bridges on them, in the rural areas of the state. Under this scheme, land cannot be acquired for road construction, and consequently, compensation is also not permissible.

3) What types of roads are covered under this scheme?

Answer: Under this scheme, maintenance and repair work is carried out on Village Roads (VR) and Other District Roads (ODR) that were included in the Road Development Plan 2001-21.

4) What kinds of repair work are done under this scheme?

Answer:

- **Minor repairs**, such as filling potholes, trimming/patching roadside shoulders, deepening side drains, repairing broken kerbs/parapets, and restoring eroded embankments.
- **Special repairs**, such as road widening, stone pitching, asphalt surfacing, and repair of bridges/culverts.

5) Where should citizens apply to get a road repaired under this scheme?

Answer: Citizens should submit an application to the concerned Zilla Parishad, Works Department for road repairs under this scheme.

6) Who prepares the proposal for road repair works to be submitted to the government?

Answer: The proposal is prepared by the Works Department of the Zilla Parishad and is then submitted to the government through the Additional Chief Executive Officer, Zilla Parishad.

7) Who gives administrative approval for the repair works under the scheme?

Answer: Administrative approval is given at state government level, considering factors such as the budgetary allocation for that year, the scheme's financial liability, demands from elected representatives, etc.

8) Who carries out the implementation of the approved repair works under the scheme?

Answer: Implementation of the approved works is done by the Public Works Department of the respective Zilla Parishad.

9) Who inspects the quality of completed works under the scheme?

Answer: Quality inspection of completed works is conducted at the Zilla Parishad level by a panel led by the State Quality Monitor, who operates under the supervision of the State Quality Coordinator designated under the Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana (PMGSY).

10) What is the defect liability period for completed works under the scheme?

Answer: The defect liability period for completed works will apply as determined from time to time by the Public Works Department.

11) How are payments made after the approved works are completed?

Answer: The LPRS (Liability Payment Register System) was launched in the financial year 2019–20. On this system, payments for the completed works are made based on the actual availability of funds in that year and after government approval, only after the work order and the work completion certificate for the respective work are uploaded by the Zilla Parishads.
