ROAD MAINTENANCE MANAGEMENT SYSTEM

The PMGSY programme started construction activities about fifteen years ago. A large number of roads have since completed 5-year post construction maintenance contract and are now under routine and periodic maintenance. In the years to come, more quality rural roads will need to be adopted into a well-managed maintenance system in order to protect these investments and thereby sustain the benefits of this new generation of rural roads.

Sound asset management principles need to be introduced as an integral part of rural road policies and maintenance programmes thereby

What is required is a robust Road Maintenance Management System (RMMS) which would help in evolving a prioritized Annual Maintenance Plan (AMP) for the entire road network each year based upon sound, measurable parameters so as to have a defined level of service protecting investments already made in improving rural roads. A structured approach to planning is a key component of any effective maintenance management system. The planning process needs to be followed up by effective arrangements for implementing the works.

Some states have made good efforts in establishing sound maintenance management systems, some of which are fully computerised. There is no lack of competence to operate such systems. In many places however, the challenge

seems to be in sustaining the commitment to operating a programme based on a systematic approach to maintenance based on sound asset management principles. In this context, experience clearly show that sound management procedures are not dependent on technology but on the political will and discipline in the relevant agencies to pursue a maintenance approach that give priority to protecting existing road assets.





In the Vision 2025 document it was acknowledged among others that maintenance management system is identified as one of the most critical issues to be addressed for ensuring maintenance of rural roads on a sustainable basis.

Well planned maintenance system is a prerequisite for a good road network and maintenance system should assess the followings which will help in prioritisation of maintenance of the road network:

- Actual condition of both carriage way and the off-carriageway
- Traffic plying on the road
- Importance of the road

Like any civil works, road maintenance requires careful planning, supervision and control. It may be divided in two parts such as:

- Preparation of annual maintenance plan
- Scheduling and annual maintenance calendar

Before these planning and implementation activities

commence, there is a need for a detailed survey of the road condition during which all defects and damages to the road are carefully assessed. This survey provides the basis for the planning of the consecutive maintenance works. Proper monitoring of outputs and the resources required to achieve these outputs provide the basic information needed for planning and estimating of future maintenance works.

Annual Maintenance Plan

Annual Maintenance Plan for any road network shall comprise primarily of the following components:

- Road Inventory Survey
- Road Condition Survey- Road Condition Index (RCI)
- Road Priority Index (RPI)
- Up dated Schedule of Rates
- Cost Estimate
- Prioritization of maintenance activities based upon the available budget
- Scheduling of activities for management, procurement and execution



Road Inventory Survey

An inventory forms the basis for any asset management of the road network. Combining this inventory with a regular assessment of its condition provides the basic justification for any road improvement and maintenance programme. Through a road condition inventory, it is possible to monitor the wear and tear of roads and bridges and on this basis plan and implement timely works inputs to protect and improve the infrastructure.

Inventories of each rural road in division/district may be prepared once in Format-A

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Update of inventories done every year, depending on local conditions, in Format – B.

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Road Condition Survey

Road condition surveys allow road authority to:

- become thoroughly familiar with the road network and its maintenance challenges and on this basis make objective and quantified assessments of the condition of each road,
- make objective prioritisations of maintenance and improvement works,
- review the effectiveness of maintenance activities carried out since the previous surveys, and
- programme in detail the improvement and maintenance works to be carried out during the next construction season.

The Road Condition Survey is required to be carried out at every 100 metre interval for every 1km of the road length by the Junior Engineer in charge of the section and assisted by his Work Inspector/ Mate. The attributes for road condition survey data should be minimal and collected through visual inspection and/or with horizontal straight edge and ruler. Classify the data under various headings namely, GOOD, FAIR and POOR with rating assigned to each classification. The time it takes to carry out the surveys depends on the condition of the road.

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Ruts and Depressions	More than 50mm in depth	<1	1-2.5	>2.5	3
Cracks	More than 5 mm in width	<1	1-2.5		2
Pavements Failure	All	<1	1-2	>2	3
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Proposed Road Condition Index (RCI)

Note: Provide weightage of 2 for <1; 4 for 1-2.5; 6 for >2.5 under item potholes

Traffic Survey

In several cases the rural roads provide alternative and shorter route to other destination and such transfer of additional traffic is not anticipated in design data of rural roads. Socio-economic growth as a result of rural road connectivity also results in traffic growth. Traffic survey is required once in two years in Format E and F for planning rural road maintenance.

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Proposed Road Priority Index (RPI)

It is required in case of constrained budget as is the case in all the States. It should have following parameters:

- Traffic count the higher the traffic the higher the priority,
- Importance of the road whether it connects to education/health centre, places of tourist/religious importance,
- Classification of the road that is, whether it is a link road or major rural link,
- A higher weight-age be given to the traffic volume

Format G

Format F

		Road Pr	iority Index						
	Indicator	Rating							
		0	1	2	Maximum				
1	Traffic (PCU)	<100	100-200	More than 200	4				
2	Terrain	Plain/Rolling	Hilly	Mountainous	2				
3	Rainfall	<750mm	750 and above		1				
4	Education Facility	No	Yes						
5	Health Facility	No	Yes						
6	Market	No	Yes		2 *				
7	Industry	Νο	Yes						
8	Tourist / Religious	Νο	Yes						
9	Road Classification	No	MRL		1				
	Maximum				10				

Note: * Give score of 1 for road fulfilling any one of the items from 4 to 8 * Give score of 2 for road fulfilling two or more of the items from 4 to 8

Prioritization for Annual Maintenance Plan

- For a constrained budget as is normally the case the Rating score shall be worked out separately for RCI and RPI
- Total Rating score shall be arrived at by adding the two by giving a higher weight age to RCI as compared to RPI, say, a ratio of 65:35
- A lower Total Rating score shall indicate that the road is in a good condition and vice-versa

Prioritization through determination of payment condition index (PCI)

The assessment of road condition for prioritization of maintenance activities can also be determined through the Pavement Condition Index (PCI) through simple methods. However, these methods tend to be somewhat subjective and, hence, wherever possible, a more objective method for evaluating the road condition to help in prioritization of maintenance interventions be adopted.

Based upon the above rating the Road Condition is classified as Good/Fair/Poor and Maintenance Intervention/Treatment is defined as Routine Maintenance/Periodic Maintenance/ Rehabilitation or Up-gradation respectively.

Scheduling of Planning Activities Management

- Exercise for review of Yardstick Norms for routine maintenance
 - o Commence after monsoon and complete by end November
 - Notify revised norms by end December
 - Norms to be effective from 1stApril of next financial year
- An yearly review of the rates of individual items
 - Commence the exercise from beginning of October and complete by end November
 - Notify the rates so finalised by end December
- A Periodic Renewal Cycle of 5 years or otherwise be notified. This can be reviewed subsequently based upon the results of the Maintenance Management System over a period of time.

Field Units and Headquarters

- Road condition surveys
 - Commence immediately after the cessation of monsoons in October and complete by 15th November.
 - Data from the survey shall be uploaded on RMMS / RMS by the Divisional Offices by 1st week of December.
 - Results of the entire road network shall be generated by the PMGSY HQ staff by 31stDecember.
 - PWD HQ shall finalize the priority list for Annual Maintenance Plan (AMP) by 15th January

- The field Executive Engineers on receipt of the approved AMP shall another verification carried out to confirm that the roads appearing in the AMP with respect to their jurisdiction actually qualify for Periodic Renewal and revert back to the HQ by 31st January with full justification in case any substitution is required.
- Field offices shall initiate action for preparing estimates and inviting bids for works proposed to be contracted out for the approved chain ages of various roads immediately and works shall be awarded by 25thMarch.

Updated Schedule of Rates

- An exercise for review of the rates of individual items involved in maintenance activities shall be carried out considering the prevailing market rates of labour, materials and machinery.
- These rates shall be fed into the analysis of individual items of maintenance as given in the Ministry of Rural Development (MoRD) Standard Data Book (SDB).
- Alternatively, in case, schedule of rates of the state is to be followed for non-PMGSY works, then these rates shall be fed into the analysis of rates pertaining to the particular state.

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	Cost Estimate for	Routine N	Maintenar	ice of Rur	al Roads	i	
	District :				Division :		
Sub	Division :			Road	catagory :		
Ro	ad Name :					Length :	
Sr. No.	Activities	Unit	Quantity	Unit Rate (in Rs.)	Amount (in Rs.)	No. of Times / Year	Total Amount (in Rs.)
1	Pothole repair	Sqm					
2	Crack sealing	m					
3	Crocodile crack	Sqm					
4	Edge break	Sqm					
5	Revelling	Sqm					
6	Depression	Sqm					
7	Bush clearing	Sqm					
8	Clear side drains (silted 50%)	m					
9	Clear side drains (silted 100%)	m					
10	Lower berm	Sqm					
11	Excavate cross drains (depth 30cm)	m					
12	Shoulder repair (-50mm)	Sqm					
13	Side slope cutting repair	Sqm					
14	Clear culvert / small bridge	Cum					
15	Clear inlet and outlet of culverts	Cum					
16	Repair culvert / small bridge	no.					
17	Maintenance of road signs	no.					
18	Maintenance of kilometre stones	no.					
19	Maintenance of 200m stones	no.					
20	Maintenance of Parapets	no.					
21	Maintenance of guard stones	no.					
	Total						
	Add 3 % contingencies charges						
	Grand Total						
		Note:	some activi	ties to be ca	arried out s	everal times	s in a year

Accurate cost estimates are essential when planning and managing maintenance road Based upon the unit rates of individual items as per the market analysis and the details of road condition (both on and off carriageway) as complied from the Road Condition Survey, the cost estimates shall be prepared by 15th January.

A format for the cost estimate for routine maintenance of a road is depicted in Format-H.

Annual Maintenance Calendar

The Annual Calendar of Road Maintenance Activities shall be as given in adjoining Table. The calendar shown in the table for road maintenance shall be modified taking into consideration the topography, climatic conditions or any other features specific to a particular region.

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13 Maintenance of T & P All round the year	
14 Removal of encrochment All round the year	

The ultimate aim is to maintain the road network at the desired service level through an effective and transparent maintenance management system which ensures regular routine maintenance of both off-carrarigeway and on-carriageway and a judicious prioritization of roads for periodic renewal.









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