

In Mexico, more than 55% of the roads are located in rural areas

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In Mexico, rural roads represent 56 percent of the roads, and they connect about 210 thousand communities all over the country. That is to say, these kinds of roads communicate more than half of the country, as indicated by the National Network of Roads (RNC).

Those roads are mainly located in rural areas. Most of them consist of paths, trails or roads that communicate different communities. However, the poor conditions they were built in make it difficult for inhabitants to communicate, and to travel from one place to another; either to visit their relatives, buying products, or having access to the different services they are not able to find in their own communities.

For instance, if medical attention is not provided in their community, people who need those services need to travel to other communities in order to get them. For that reason, it is important that roads in rural areas are in good condition so that the inhabitants are able to use them.

Connectivity provided by roads in rural communities are one of the main factors for sustainable growth in communities. They are part of the primary conditions to have access to basic services like health services, education, and food. Additionally, they allow farmers to sell their products and also, people in those areas are able to have access to other services in those communities.

Roads which are paved and in good conditions may decrease the expenses people make on public transportation. They contribute to the reduction of time to travel from one place to another, they increase productivity, and they encourage the creation of more jobs and the development of entrepreneurship in those communities; the RNC mentions.

Advantages for communities with rural roads



Communication among them
is possible

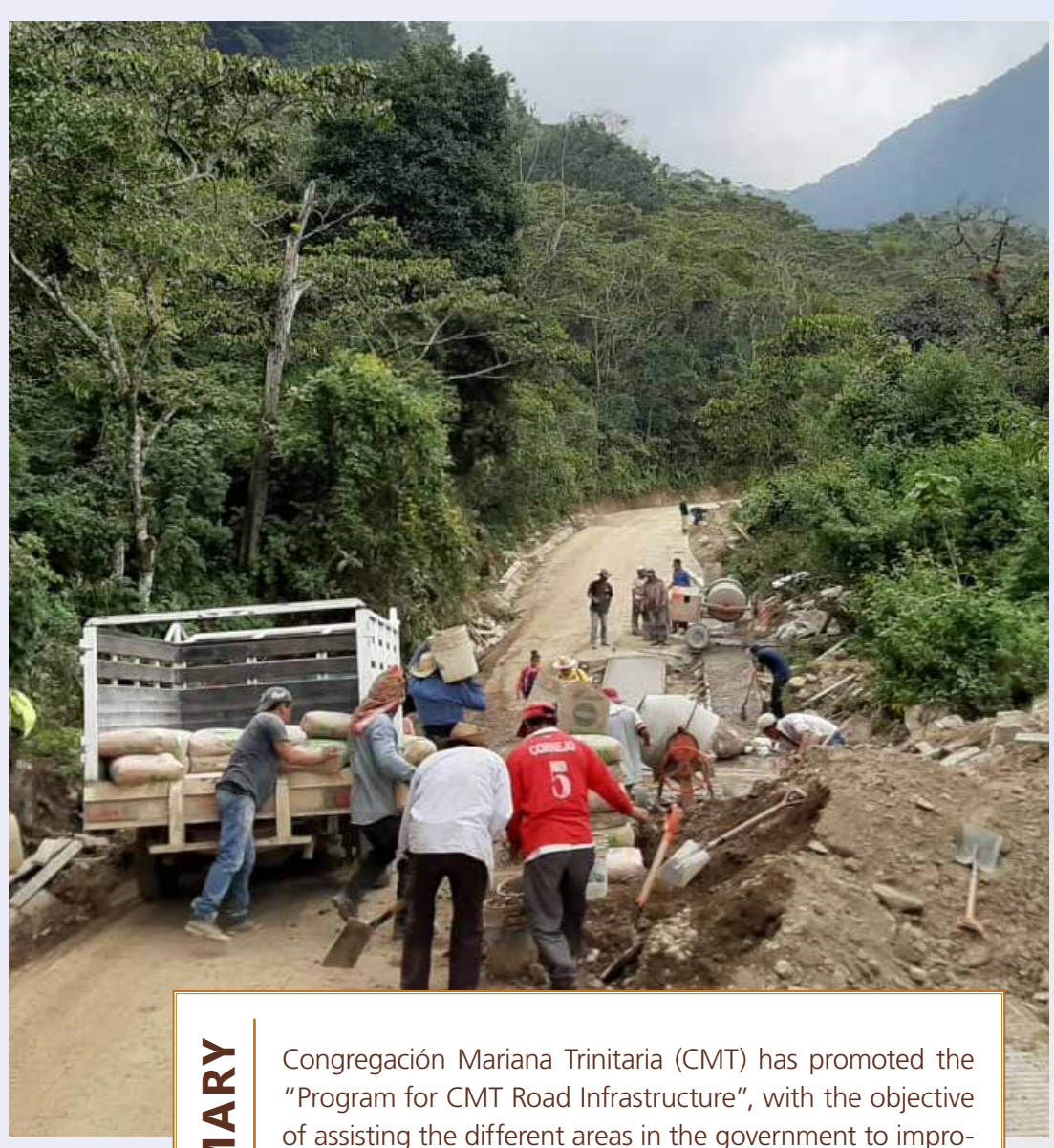


Access to basic services like
health services and food



Reduction of time to
travel

It is very important to have paved roads in rural areas because they provide benefits to communities and people living in those areas. We have to remember that the road system in Mexico consists of these kinds of roads, and they communicate with more than 210 thousand rural communities. However, among all that network, more than 50 percent of it consists of dirt roads.



SUMMARY

Congregación Mariana Trinitaria (CMT) has promoted the “Program for CMT Road Infrastructure”, with the objective of assisting the different areas in the government to improve the conditions of roads in rural areas all over the Mexican territory.

Advantages for communities with rural roads



Commercialization
increases



Sustainable
growth

CMT supports rural roads

Congregación Mariana Trinitaria (CMT) is aware of the vulnerability of rural communities in the country. In view of the poor conditions of roads in rural communities, it has developed the “Program for CMT Road Infrastructure”, with the objective of assisting the different levels in the government to improve the conditions of the roads located in rural communities all over the country.

It consists of a program based on public and social investment, with the purpose of developing more infrastructure and more resources in the government. This way, the roads in the most affected communities, which are dirt roads, may turn into paved roads.

One of the success stories in CMT, among the stories we have had all over the country, is the one that took place in the community of San Miguel Coatlán, in Oaxaca. There, thanks to the CMT program, it was possible to increase the public resources provided by the Federal Government through the “Program to pave rural roads”. After the contribution provided by Congregación Mariana Trinitaria, almost two thousand square meters of pavement manufactured with hydraulic concrete were added to the original budget. Due to that fact, the main streets of that community, and even the ones located near the municipal seat, which were not originally included in the program, were also paved.

With hard work and dedication, Congregación Mariana Trinitaria will continue providing benefits to thousands of families located in rural areas so that a dirt road does not become an obstacle to communication, medical assistance, or the sale of products. This way, it will be possible to combat social backwardness among the most vulnerable areas in the country.