

Re: Alleged under-utilization of funds under Pradhan Mantri Jan Vikas Karyakram (PMJVK) - laid

SHRI SYED IMTIAZ JALEEL (AURANGABAD): I would like to draw the attention of the Government to a pressing concern regarding the unutilized funds under the Pradhan Mantri Jan Vikas Karyakram (PMJVK) within your Ministry. Recent reports have disclosed that a substantial amount of approximately Rs 4,500 crore allocated for the PMJVK remains unused by the states. This unfortunate situation arises due to the unavailability of utilization certificates, hindering the disbursement of further funds under the scheme. Equally concerning is the revelation that over 58,000 units of infrastructure projects have been sanctioned between 2008 and 2018-2019 which have been cancelled or dropped due to perceived viability issues, following discussions between the Ministry of Minority Affairs and the states. The Pradhan Mantri Jan Vikas Karyakram (PMJVK) earlier known as Multi-sectoral Development Programme (MsDP), a centrally sponsored scheme and is implemented in 1300 identified Minority Concentration Areas (MCAs) of the country with the objective to develop socio-economic assets and basic amenities in these areas. Since May 2018, the scheme has been implemented as the Pradhan Mantri Jan Vikas Karyakram (PMJVK). In light of these disconcerting revelations, I earnestly request the Honorable Minister to shed light on the reasons behind the under-utilisation of funds and present concrete measures to rectify this issue.