

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
STATISTICS AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION
LOK SABHA**

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MPLADS
M. JAGANNATH

Will the Minister of STATISTICS AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the amount can be spent on propagating primary education under MPLADS;
- (b) if so, the instructions issued in this regard; and
- (c) if not, the action proposed to extend MPLADS for propagating primary education as well as giving awards to deserving students and teachers for popularising primary education in the country?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING, MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF STATISTICS AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION, MINISTER OF STATE FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATIVE REFORMS AND PUBLIC GRIEVANCES IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS AND MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) OF THE DEPARTMENT OF DISINVESTMENT. (SHRI ARUN SHOURIE)

(a)(b)&(c) Under the MPLAD Scheme, works as recommended by Members of Parliament can be taken up by the District Heads for creation of durable assets based on locally felt needs. As provided under the guidelines on MPLADS, construction of buildings for schools, hostels, libraries and other buildings of educational institutions belonging to Government, or local bodies, aided institutions, unaided but recognized institutions which are in existence for not less than two years can be taken up. Hence, the construction of buildings only for primary schools is permissible.