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

- (a) whether some irregularities have been found in implementation of funds under MPLADS;
- (b) if so, the details thereof State-wise, particularly in Maharashtra;
- (c) whether the Government have taken any action against the officials responsible for keeping proposals pending sent by the MP; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof State-wise?

Answer

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

(a)&(b) Some complaints have been received from the Members of Parliament regarding irregularities in the implementation of MPLADS works. These complaints mainly relate to:

- (i) Taking up works without recommendations of the MPs
- (ii) Irregular use of MPLADS funds

Complaints relating to non implementation/delay in implementation of MPLADS works have also been received from some MPs of Maharashtra.

(c)&(d) On receipt of such complaints, the matter is immediately taken up with the concerned State Governments/nodal authorities for investigation and remedial action. The State Governments have been advised from time to time to follow strictly the provisions of the guidelines and implement works recommended by members of Parliament expeditiously. The District Heads have been advised to sanction works recommended by Members of Parliament to the extent of their entitlement without waiting for actual release of funds and submit the expenditure report expeditiously so that funds could be released from the Ministry speedily. The District Heads have also been advised to evolve a time frame for implementation keeping in view the nature of the works and follow the same strictly.