

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

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MPLADS

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

- (a) The year of inception of the Member of Parliament Local Area Development (MPLAD) Scheme;
- (b) the main objectives of the scheme;
- (c) whether the Government has conducted any survey to assess the success of this scheme;
- (d) if so, the details thereof;
- (e) if not, the reasons therefor; and
- (f) the total number of complaints received by the Government from members of Parliament regarding the scheme during the last two years?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE), MINISTRY OF YOUTH AFFAIRS & SPORTS, MINISTRY OF OVERSEAS INDIAN AFFAIRS, AND MINISTRY OF STATISTICS AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION (SHRI OSCAR FERNANDES)

- (a) The Member of Parliament Local Area Development Scheme (MPLADS) was launched in December, 1993.
- (b) The objective of the scheme is to enable Members of Parliament to recommend works of developmental nature with emphasis on the creation of durable community assets based on the locally felt needs to be implemented in their constituencies.
- (c) Yes, Sir.
- (d) An evaluation study of MPLAD Scheme was done by the Programme Evaluation Organisation (PEO) of the Planning Commission and the report was received in November, 2001. The Evaluation Report contains observations and recommendations relating to various stages of the Scheme implementation ranging from recommendations for works by MPs, execution, monitoring to the maintenance of assets created under MPLAD Scheme. The Evaluation Report has made specific suggestions for effective implementation of the MPLAD Scheme to achieve better results.
- (e) Does not arise.
- (f) 15 number of complaints have been received by the Government from Members of Parliament regarding the scheme during the last two years.