

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

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:5420  
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UNSPENT MPLADS FUNDS  
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**Will the Minister of STATISTICS AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION be pleased to state:**

- (a) the unspent MPLADS funds accumulated during the last three years;
- (b) the reasons for the accumulation;
- (c) the steps taken by the Government to reduce the unspent funds in a time bound manner;
- (d) whether the Government proposes to create a separate technical wing to undertake MPLADS fund works order to decentralise the work burden on the public works department and the civil wing to the zila parishads; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof and the steps taken in this regard?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE), MINISTRY OF COAL AND STATISTICS & PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION  
(SHRI SRIPRAKASH JAISWAL)

- (a) Since inception of the scheme, the cumulative unspent balance in the last three years is as under:-

S.No. Cumulative unspent balance (Rs. in crore)

1 2136.64 (as on 31.3.2008)  
2 1788.00 (as on 31.3.2009) 3 2307.03 # (as on 31.3.2010)

**# Provisional**

(b) Under the MPLAD Scheme, funds are directly sent to nodal district authorities of the MPs, who examine and implement the eligible developmental works recommended by the Members of the Parliament. The main reason for accumulation of funds are: delay in recommendations by MPs, delay in sanction & execution of works by district authorities, release of advances for on going works and works yet to be started, as advances are not treated as expenditure, etc.

(c) The Ministry has directed all the district authorities in the country to expedite timely sanction & execution of works just after the recommendation by MPs and further they have been asked to complete pending works recommended by Members of Parliament up to the 14th Lok Sabha by 30th September, 2010.

(d) No Sir.

(e) Does not arise.