

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

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ASSESSMENT OF MPLAD SCHEMES
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Will the Minister of STATISTICS AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION be pleased to state:

- (a) the funds allocated and spent under the MPLAD Scheme during the last one year in various States including Gujarat, State-wise;
- (b) whether the scheme is serving the purpose for which it has been formulated;
- (c) if so, the details of the assessment made in this regard; and
- (d) the mechanism adopted for assessing the achievements of the scheme?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATISTICS AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION (DR. M.S. GILL)

- (a) The State-wise details of funds released and spent, as reported by District Authorities under the MPLAD Scheme during 2009-10 are at Annexure.
- (b) Yes sir.
- (c)&(d) 92.58% of the funds sanctioned during 2009-10 have been utilized. 91.46% of the works sanctioned have been completed during the same period. To assess impact of the Scheme at the ground level, the NABARD Consultancy Services (NABCONS), an independent agency has been engaged to conduct physical monitoring of works executed under MPLAD Scheme. The agency has found that the MPLAD Scheme is a unique Scheme, having the characteristic features of decentralized development and has resulted in creation of good quality assets. The NABCONS has reported that 74% of works had positive impact on the local economy in terms of connectivity, business opportunities, trade, employment, irrigation, etc.; 86% of works had a positive impact on the social structure/social fabric of the local community and 63% of works had positive impact on the physical environment. The assessment has been made based on the randomly selected sample of 50 works in each selected districts.