

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HOME AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA**

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CONTINUATION OF MPF SCHEME
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Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the scheme of Modernisation of State Police Forces (MPF) is proposed to be terminated this year;
- (b) if so, the details of activities undertaken under the above scheme during the scheme period, State-wise including Andhra Pradesh;
- (c) whether any requests/demands have been received for continuation of this scheme for a further period of five year; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof and the action taken on such requests/demands?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI MULLAPPALLY RAMACHANDRAN)

(a) to (d): The Modernisation of State Police Forces (MPF) Scheme was sanctioned upto 31.03-2011. A proposal for its extension for the current financial year i.e. 2011-12 is under consideration of the Government. Thereafter, it is proposed to continue the scheme as Plan Scheme.

During the period 2008-09 to 2010-11, a total amount of Rs.3512.27 crore was released to various States under the MPF Scheme against various items approved in the Annual Action Plans. A statement showing the State-wise release of funds for 2008-09 to 2010-11 is at Annexure. For the current financial year, 2011-12, pending the extension of the MPF Scheme, the annual action plans, 2011-12 received from all the State Governments have been discussed in various High Power Committee (HPC) meetings held in this Ministry and agreed to in principle. However, funds towards the approved action plans will be released only after the extension of the Scheme is approved by the competent authority.

The MPF Scheme is a very popular scheme being implemented by the Ministry of Home Affairs. Concern over its continuation are usually voiced in various fora like Chief Ministers' Conference. Government has already initiated action for extension of the scheme for the current year i.e. 2011-12 and its continuation thereafter, as a Plan Scheme.