

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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LOK SABHA**

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MPLAD FUNDS FOR SCHOOLS AND NGOs/VOs
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Will the Minister of STATISTICS AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has issued any new guidelines to release the funds from MPLAD to Schools and Non-Government Organisations/Voluntary Organisations (NGOs/VOs); and

(b) if so, the details thereof including the maximum amount of fund to be used for the aforesaid purpose as per the new guidelines?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE), MINISTRY OF STATISTICS AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION AND
MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (SHRI SRIKANT KUMAR JENA)

(a) Yes sir.

(b) The Government has recently allowed MS-Office Software as per DGS&D rate contract, to Government and Government Aided Educational Institutions, including training comprising 24-48 working hours of learning period, on the above software to two teachers per school. MPs may recommend an amount up to Rs.22 lakh in all per annum from their MPLADS fund, to purchase books for schools, colleges and public libraries belonging to Central, States/UTs and Local Self Government as per break up given in recent circular. These institutes will not be entitled for recommendation of books in the subsequent year, but will be eligible in the 3rd year again. The recommendations made in this context will be examined/approved by a Committee chaired by District Education Officer. An MP can recommend funds, only upto Rs.50 lakh in all, in a financial year from MPLADS funds for works to various Societies/Trusts. However, not more than Rs.25 lakh can be spent from MPLADS fund for one or more works of a particular Society/Trust in the lifetime of that Society/Trust.