

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MICRO, SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES  
LOK SABHA**

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FUNCTIONS OF MGIRI  
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**Will the Minister of MICRO, SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES be pleased to state:**

- (a) the objectives and functions of `Mahatma Gandhi Institute for Rural Industrialization (MGIRI)`;
- (b) the amount allocated and spent by the Institute during each of the last three years and the current year; and
- (c) the number of beneficiaries during the said period?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF MICRO, SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES (SHRI VIRBHADRA SINGH)

(a) Mahatma Gandhi Institute for Rural Industrialization (MGIRI) is a national- level institute for research, design and extension activities in the rural industrial sector.

(b) Details of funds released to, and utilized by, MGIRI during each of the last three years are as below:

(Rs. in crore)

| Year | Released | Utilization |
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| 2009-10 | 3.72 | 3.79 |
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| 2010-11 | 6.35 | 5.04 |
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| 2011-12 | 3.87 | 3.60 |
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up to 29th February 2012

includes unspent balance of previous year.

(c) Since 2009-10, MGIRI has initiated action on handholding/ providing technological support to 155 model enterprises, developed 53 improved machines/ processes/ services to achieve greater efficiency and reduce drudgery, trained 1613 persons, held 63 workshops and participated in 29 exhibitions to popularize the prototypes/ processes developed by them.