

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

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MODIFICATIONS OF MDA GUIDELINES
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Will the Minister of MICRO, SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has received any request with regard to modifications of the guidelines of Marketing Development Assistance (MDA) scheme for the projects of the Coir Board from various State Governments including Kerala;
- (b) If so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor; and
- (c) the action taken to settle the grievances ?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) FOR MICRO, SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES (SHRI DINSHA PATEL)

(a) to (c) The Government of Kerala has requested for modification of the guidelines of Market Development Assistance (MDA) Scheme, being implemented by the Ministry of MSME through Coir Board – a statutory body under the administrative control of this Ministry, and suggested inclusion of certain additional components like purchase of raw material, purchase of transport vehicle and payment of wages to workers etc. as eligible components, especially for the Primary Spinning Co-operative Societies in Kerala.

Coir Board has been asked to submit a comprehensive proposal after consulting the State Governments.