

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
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LOK SABHA**

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MPLAD SCHEME

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**Will the Minister of STATISTICS AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION be pleased to state:**

- (a) the amount of funds spent under the Member of Parliament Local Area Development Scheme (MPLADS) so far;
- (b) whether the Government has reviewed the benefits, achievements and outcome of the said scheme;
- (c) if so, the details thereof;
- (d) whether any discrepancies, such as diversion of the funds to other schemes which are not enlisted under this scheme have been found in the implementation of the Scheme;
- (e) if so, the details thereof; and
- (f) the action taken by the Government to ensure proper utilization of funds under the scheme?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) MINISTRY OF COAL AND STATISTICS & PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION  
(SHRI SRIPRAKASH JAISWAL)

(a) As per the monthly progress reports received from the nodal district authorities, an amount of Rs.18304.59 crore has been spent as on 30.6.2009, out of Rs.19514.25 crore released since inception of the MPLAD Scheme.

(b)&(c) The Ministry has started an initiative for physical monitoring of sample works executed under the Scheme by NABCONS, an independent agency, apart from the provisions of review and monitoring of the Scheme by the Centre, State and district functionaries, as per MPLADS guidelines. From the study, the agency has found that the MPLAD Scheme is a unique scheme for economic and social infrastructure building. The local community has accepted the scheme due to its inherent strong elements, and it has had a positive overall impact on the economic and social life of the people, both in rural and urban areas including SCs and STs and other sections.

(d)to(f) No diversion of funds to other schemes has been reported.