GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF STATISTICS AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION

RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION No. 1271 TO BE ANSWERED ON 31.07.2023

ENHANCEMENT OF MPLADS FUND

1271. SMT. JEBI MATHER HISHAM:

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

- (a) time when the allotment under MPLADS was last enhanced;
- (b) whether the allotment under MPLADS will be enhancement taking into consolidation the increase in the estimates of the works and the rise in demand from the public; and
- (c) whether the funds under the Scheme which were suspended during COVID-19 pandemic, will be released?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) OF THE MINISTRY OF STATISTICS AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION, MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) OF THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CORPORATE AFFAIRS [RAO INDERJIT SINGH]

- (a) The annual allotment under MPLADS was last enhanced w.e.f. the Financial Year 2011-12.
- (b) The Ministry receives and examines, on a continuous basis, the new suggestions from stakeholders, including suggestions for revision of entitlement of funds under Members of Parliament Local Area Development Scheme (MPLADS), following due process.
- (c) MPLADS funds to the tune of Rs.6320 crore, i.e., Rs.3,950 crore for the Financial Year (FY) 2020-21 and Rs.2,370 crore for the FY 2021-22, were placed at the disposal of the Ministry of Finance for managing the health and adverse impacts of Covid-19 on the society for stepping up capital outlay including health infrastructure and various social security measures for the poor and the needy.
