

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF MICRO, SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES

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UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1536
TO BE ANSWERED ON 09.12.2024

FUND UTILISATION IN MSE-CLUSTER DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME (MSE-CDP)

1536. SHRI MOHAMMED NADIMUL HAQUE:

Will the Minister of MICRO, SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES be pleased to state:-

- (a) the reasons for the significant reduction in budgetary allocation for the Micro and Small Enterprises- Cluster Development Programme from ₹ 262 crore at the Budget Estimate stage to ₹ 120 crore at the Revised Estimates stage for the FY 2022-23, the details thereof; and
- (b) the measures being planned or undertaken to ensure timely receipt of proposals and optimal utilisation of funds in future under the MSE-CDP?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE FOR MICRO, SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES
(SUSHRI SHOBHA KARANDLAJE)

(a): The Micro and Small Enterprises Cluster Development Programme (MSE-CDP) is a demand driven scheme wherein, the proposals to establish Common Facility Centers (CFCs) and Infrastructure Development (ID) Projects are received as per common needs of existing clusters from States/UTs. Further, the requirement of GoI grants for ongoing projects is received from the State Governments on the basis of physical progress of the approved projects under the scheme. In addition, COVID pandemic has also adversely impacted the physical progress of the ongoing projects and utilisation of allotted funds during the period.

(b): For encouraging timely receipt of proposals and optimal utilisation of funds, the Ministry has simplified the scheme guidelines and mandated online submission of proposals on MSE-CDP Portal. The stages for final approval of the proposal by the National Project Appraisal Committee, has also been reduced to expedite the process of approval of project proposals. Further, the field offices located in the states also actively coordinate with respective State Governments for formulation and implementation of projects.
