

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF STATISTICS AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION

RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1116
TO BE ANSWERED ON 09.02.2026

INCREASE OF FUNDS UNDER MPLADS

1116. SMT. SUMITRA BALMIK:

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

- (a) whether Government is planning to increase the funds under MPLADS, if so, the details thereof; and
- (b) the details of dovetailing of other funds available with the Member of Parliament?

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 CULTURE (RAO INDERJIT SINGH)

- (a) The Ministry regularly receives and examines suggestions from various stakeholders, including proposals for revision of fund entitlements, in accordance with the prescribed procedures. At present, there is no proposal under consideration to increase the annual allocation under the Members of Parliament Local Area Development Scheme (MPLADS).
- (b) As per Para 7.1 of MPLADS Guidelines, 2023, the MPLADS funds can be pooled with individual/ stand-alone projects of other Central and State Government schemes, as well as with that of local bodies, provided such works are otherwise eligible under MPLADS Guidelines. Wherever such pooling is done, funds from other schemes should be used first and the MPLADS funds shall be used only in the end to fill the gap for completion of the project.
