

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF STATISTICS AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION No. 1567
TO BE ANSWERED ON 10.02.2021**

REVIVING MPLAD SCHEME

1567. SHRI MANNE SRINIVAS REDDY:

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

- (a) whether the Government proposes to revive the MPLAD scheme, if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor; and**
- (b) the number of demands received till date for the revival of the Scheme along with the action taken by the Government in this regard?**

ANSWER

**MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) OF THE MINISTRY OF STATISTICS AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION AND
MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) OF THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING (RAO INDERJIT SINGH)**

(a) At present, there is no proposal for revival of Member of Parliament Local Area Development Scheme (MPLADS) during the FY 2020-21 and FY 2021-22. The Government has decided not to operate the MPLAD Scheme for two years, and has also decided to place the MPLADS funds for FY 2020-21 and FY 2021-22 at the disposal of the Ministry of Finance for strengthening its efforts in managing the challenges of COVID-19 which has been declared as a global pandemic and a notified disaster in the country.

(b) The Ministry is receiving representations from Hon'ble Member(s) of Parliament for revival of the MPLAD Scheme. The representations received so far have been replied as per the reply given in part (a) above.
