

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
STATISTICS AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION
LOK SABHA**

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MPLAD FUND
KANTI SINGH;RAM PRASAD SINGH

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

- (a) whether there is any proposal to review MP Local Area Development Fund;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether there is a demand for enhancing MPLAD Fund from present ceiling of Rs.2 crore to 5 crore for each Member of both Houses; and
- (d) if so, the action taken by the Government thereon?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF STATISTICS AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION, PLANNING, SPACE, ATOMIC ENERGY & COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY (SHRI S.B. MOOKHERJEE)

- (a) & (b) A review of the Guidelines on MPLADS was undertaken and the draft revised Guidelines were submitted to the Committees on MPLADS, Lok Sabha and Rajya Sabha in March, 2003 for their consideration. The recommendations of the Committees are awaited.
- (c) Yes, Sir.
- (d) The enhancement of MPLADS allocation from the present level of Rs.2 crore to Rs.5 crore per MP has not been found feasible.