

(d) This information is not centrally maintained at the level of Ministry of Statistics and Programme Implementation.

**Use of advanced tools and mechanisms of
research and analysis**

619. SHRI AVINASH PANDE: Will the Minister of STATISTICS AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION be pleased to state:

(a) the scope of development and use of new and more advanced tools and mechanisms of research and analysis by the Ministry;

(b) the steps Government has taken in the recent past to enhance the efficiency of the same and the details thereof;

(c) whether Government plans to bring about any change in the technology and expertise used by it;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF STATISTICS AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION (SHRI SRIKANT JENA): (a) Functions of Ministry of Statistics and Programme Implementation, *inter-alia*, include setting of standards in the field of statistics, advising Ministries/Departments on statistical methodologies and analysis of data, compiling and releasing various statistical indicators and conducting large scale sample surveys for creating data base in diverse socio-economic areas. There is scope for development and use of new and more advanced tools and mechanisms in all these areas.

(b) Ministry of Statistics and Programme Implementation has taken steps in this regard in the recent past which include wider consultation with academics and data users, development of web enabled collection and compilation of data in the surveys like Price-collection surveys and Annual Survey of Industries, development of data-warehouse of Socio-Economic data and use of better tools and techniques of data dissemination, reducing the time gap in release of reports and data, improvement in Data Processing techniques, etc.

(c) and (d) The Ministry is taking steps for capacity development of statistical personnel in official statistics through training including training in Information

Technology and by providing funds for strengthening State statistical system so as to bring changes in use of technology and develop expertise for the same.

(e) In view of above, the Question does not arise.

Utilisation of MPLADS funds

620. SHRI BHUPENDER YADAV: Will the Minister of STATISTICS AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the MPLADS funds utilised during the last three years in the country, State-wise; and

(b) the MPLADS funds pending with the Ministry due to non-furnishing of utilisation certificates?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF STATISTICS AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION (SHRI SRIKANT JENA): (a) As reported by the nodal district authorities, the State-wise details of Member of Parliament Local Area Development Scheme (MPLADS) funds utilized during the last three years are given in the Statement (*See below*).

(b) Against the entitlement of the MPs upto 31st March, 2013, an amount of Rs. 3003.50. crore is pending for release due to non-receipt of documents as stipulated in the MPLADS guidelines.

Statement

The State-wise details of Member of Parliament Local Area Development Scheme (MPLADS) funds utilization during last three years

(Rs. in crore)

Sl. No.	Name of the State/UT	MPLADS funds utilized		
		2009-10	2010-11	2011-12*
1	2	3	4	5
1.	Andhra Pradesh	68.35	109.73	163.06
2.	Arunachal Pradesh	5.12	7.91	8.93
3.	Assam	29.44	36.85	47.71