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3	2018-19	32	UK	2
			Australia	1
			Canada	1
			Columbia	1
			Finland	1
			Malaysia	1
			Netherlands	1
			Spain	1
			USA	23
4	2019-20	50	Lithuania	2
			Israel	1
			Italy	1
			Japan	1
			Spain	1
			Switzerland	1
			USA	43

#### **MPLADS installments due to MPs of Andhra Pradesh and Telangana**

2195. DR. K. V. P. RAMACHANDRA RAO: Will the Minister of STATISTICS AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government is due to release several installments of entitlement relating to MPs of Andhra Pradesh and Telangana;

(b) if so, the details thereof along with the entitlement and installment dues up to the current financial year;

(c) whether the said installments are due because of non-receipt of Utilization Certificates (UCs) from Nodal Districts; and

(d) whether Government has ever initiated any action against the Nodal Districts for failing to send UCs in time?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF STATISTICS (RAO INDERJIT SINGH): (a) to (c) There are no cases pending for release of funds to Rajya Sabha MPs of Andhra Pradesh and Telangana State as on date beyond the stipulated time of one month from the date of receipt of complete proposals, by the Ministry.

(d) The MPLAD Scheme is being implemented at the field level by the respective State Government Authorities as per their administrative, financial and technical Rules and in accordance with the Guidelines on MPLADS. Whenever any complaint is received the respective State Government is advised for taking appropriate action.

Ministry regularly follows up with the District Authorities to submit the fund related documents for timely release of funds.

#### **Promotion of domestic textile clusters**

2196. SHRI SYED NASIR HUSSAIN: Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government is likely to consider promoting domestic textile clusters by engaging proactively with the retailers and brand chains to enhance local sourcing to boost productivity in garment hubs of the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) whether Government has received any representation from garment sector and allied industry representatives in this regard, if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF TEXTILES (SHRIMATI SMRITI ZUBIN IRANI): (a) to (c) Domestic textile clusters are promoted through various Government initiatives. The concept of setting up of Mega Textiles Parks by Ministry of Textiles is at stage of discussion.

Products such as fibre, yarn and fabric in the textile value chain are being strengthened and made competitive through various schemes, *inter alia*, Powertex for fabric segment, Amended Technology Upgradation Fund Scheme (ATUFS) for all segments except spinning, Scheme for Integrated Textile Parks (SITP) for all segments, etc.