

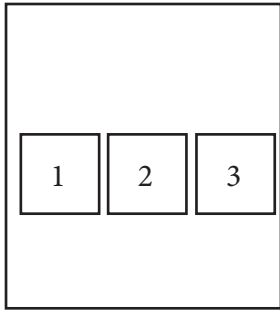


Public Funds for Public Good



Through
Member of Parliament Local Area Development Scheme





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1. Community Centre in Tola, Koraput district, Odisha
2. Vocational Training Laboratory at Thirunal Government Vocational Higher Secondary School, Monkombu, Alappuzha district, Kerala.
3. MCA Block, Government Arts College, Thanjavur, Tamil Nadu

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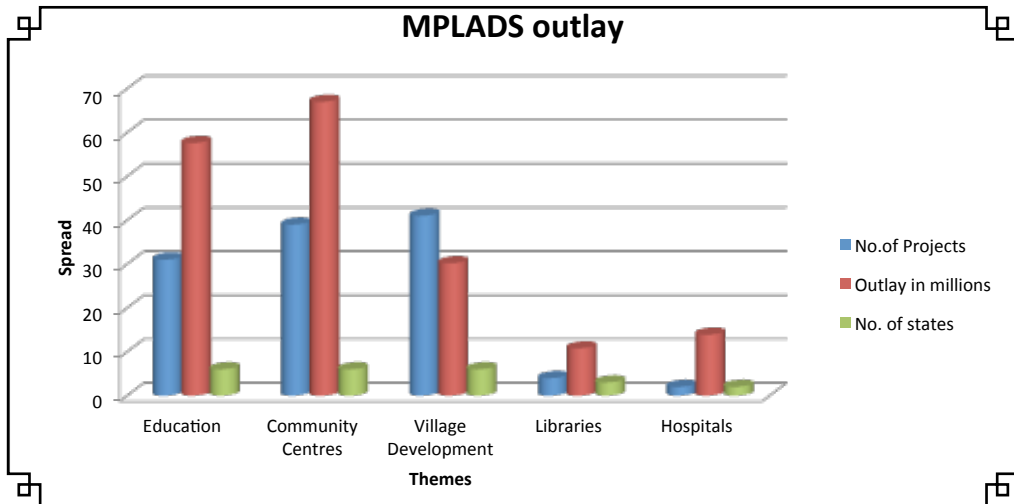
Introduction



The Government of India instituted in 1993 the policy of providing funds to Members of Parliament for attending to important location-specific needs. The fund, known as the Member of Parliament Local Area Development Scheme (MPLADS), is utilised by Members of Parliament for fulfilling the essential requirements of the local population through the State Government and its officers. No money goes directly through the Member of Parliament; Members can only identify and suggest projects to be supported by MPLADS.

I was a nominated Member of the Rajya Sabha from 2007 to 2013. During that period, I was allotted a total of Rs. 8 crore during the first four years (Rs.2 crore per year) and Rs.10 crore during the last two years when the allocation was enhanced to Rs. 5 crore per year. Thus Rs.18 crore became available during the period of 6 years. This publication indicates how these funds were used and emphasises the significance of this source of support to local communities. Essential gaps in local needs can be met without waiting for assistance from Plan funds.

Broadly, the areas supported have been education, community centres, village development, libraries and hospitals.



As can be seen from the figure, the most outlay has been on community centres which continue to be used very effectively for multiple purposes such as reading rooms, village knowledge centres,, venues for SHG meetings and, occasionally, even weddings.

I am grateful to my colleague Dr. S. Rajalakshmi for assisting me in administering MPLADS in a purposeful manner through the selection of projects which were of help to improve functional literacy, digital capability, health, nutrition and community development. I am grateful to the authorities of the Government of India as well as the concerned State Governments for assistance in the utilisation of the funds in a meaningful, timely and effective manner.

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Education

The development of facilities in the education sector, particularly in rural India, should be of topmost priority. A total of Rs. 5.76 crore was spent in this sector across six states in India — Tamil Nadu, West Bengal, Jharkhand, Karnataka, Kerala and Rajasthan. Around 31 projects were undertaken spread across various districts in these states, largely serving the minority communities as well as the economically weak and marginalised sections of society. The projects ranged from building science blocks, laboratories, classrooms, toilets for girl students, library facilities, teachers' training centres, among others. A very unique intervention has been the building of a vocational training laboratory for plus two students to opt for a course in agriculture. This is aimed at empowering farmer children to use scientific methods in farming, particularly in the Kuttanad area, which is the rice bowl of Kerala. One of the main reasons for school drop-outs, particularly girls, is the lack of toilet facilities in rural schools; a conscious attempt has therefore been made at supporting construction of toilet complexes. Another important project has been to set up a centre in Jharkhand to train and upgrade teachers from the local tribal community.

01

Classrooms, library, water tank, toilet block for girls and boys and a playground in the Government Secondary School, Jaisalmer, Rajasthan

Cost of work (Rs lakh)
40.00

02

Additional school building and a toilet block for girls in the Adi Dravidar Welfare Government Higher Secondary School Kalangani, Namakkal district, Tamil Nadu

Cost of work (Rs lakh)
35.00



03

A separate block for MCA students in the Government Arts College, Thanjavur, Tamil Nadu

Cost of work (Rs lakh)
25.00

04

Four classrooms in George Higher Secondary School at Vishnupuram, Kumbakonam, Tamil Nadu

Cost of work (Rs lakh)
13.50

05

Eight classrooms in Muslim Primary School, Surandai, Tirunelveli, Tamil Nadu

Cost of work (Rs lakh)
20.00

06

Six classrooms at Sri Ramakrishna Home, Keelakattur, Thanjavur, Tamil Nadu

Cost of work (Rs lakh)
14.80

07

Ten classrooms in the Native Higher Secondary School, Kumbakonam, Tamil Nadu

Cost of work (Rs lakh)
21.35

08

Teachers' Training Centre in Laldih, Ghatsila, East Singhbhum district, Jharkhand

Cost of work (Rs lakh)
24.15

09

Compound wall for the school campus in Senthamangalam block in Namakkal district, Tamil Nadu

Cost of work (Rs lakh)
09.81

10

Nine classrooms in Bharatha Matha High School, Narippaiyur village, Ramanathapuram district, Tamil Nadu

Cost of work (Rs lakh)
15.00

11

Compound wall and a pathway inside the Government High School in Thumbivadi village, Karur district, Tamil Nadu

Cost of work (Rs lakh)
11.00

12

Compound wall and a toilet complex for the primary school in Makkiri Palayam, Southapuram, Namakkal district, Tamil Nadu

Cost of work (Rs lakh)
04.75

13

Five classrooms in Devangar Higher Secondary School, Neeravi, Ramanathapuram district, Tamil Nadu

Cost of work (Rs lakh)
25.00

14

Classrooms in Rajaji Middle School, Meenambalpuram, Madurai district, Tamil Nadu

Cost of work (Rs lakh)
15.00

15

Five classrooms and four toilets in Devangar Higher Secondary School, Aruppukottai, Virudhunagar district, Tamil Nadu

Cost of work (Rs lakh)
25.00

16

Toilet block in Sourashtra Higher Secondary School, Madurai, Tamil Nadu

Cost of work (Rs lakh)
18.00

17

Science laboratory at Saharda Kalipada Higher Secondary School, West Midnapur district, West Bengal

Cost of work (Rs lakh)
12.42

18

Bitumen road connecting the Government Agricultural College and Research Institute to Meteorology Observatory junction, Madurai, Tamil Nadu

Cost of work (Rs lakh)
10.00

19

Library, art room and computer laboratory in the Government High School, Siruthalaikaadu, Nagapattinam district, Tamil Nadu

Cost of work (Rs lakh)
30.00

20

Permanent RCC roofing for the Panchayat Union Middle School, M.G.R.Nagar, Killai village, Parangipettai, Cuddalore district, Tamil Nadu

Cost of work (Rs lakh)
15.75

21

Five classrooms in the Government School, Perumbakkam, Thiruvallur district, Tamil Nadu

Cost of work (Rs lakh)
25.00

22

Classrooms at Nakeeranar Aided Middle School, Panchanathikulam Vedaranyam taluk, Nagapattinam district, Tamil Nadu

Cost of work (Rs lakh)
25.00

23

A Vocational Training Laboratory in the Thirunal Government Vocational Higher Secondary School, Monkombu, Alappuzha district, Kerala.

Cost of work (Rs lakh)
57.00

24

Classrooms in the Government High School, S. Tharaiyadi village, Kadaladi, Ramanathapuram district, Tamil Nadu.

Cost of work (Rs lakh)
25.00

25

Computer Education Centre in the Government Higher Primary School, Karki, Honnavar taluka, Uttara Kannada District, Karnataka

Cost of work (Rs lakh)
25.00

26

Science laboratory and classrooms in the Government Upper Primary School, Malion Dhani Birai P.S., Bawri district, Jodhpur, Rajasthan

Cost of work (Rs lakh)
25.00





Community Centres/ Multipurpose Community Halls

The need for a community hall in every village cannot be overemphasised. These halls serve as important meeting places for diverse activities undertaken by the local community, from micro enterprise training, SHG meetings, awareness programmes in health, entitlement cards, etc., to cultural and social functions and children's after-school activities and group learning. A total of Rs.6.70 crore has been spent to build low cost community centres in rural areas in six states, namely, Maharashtra, Andhra Pradesh, Odisha, Jharkhand, Kerala and Tamil Nadu. Thirty-nine such multipurpose halls have been constructed in various districts, mainly in tribal and economically weaker pockets of the States.

01

Community Centre in Jajpur district, Rajasthan

Cost of work (Rs lakh)
08.00

02

A Community Centre each in the villages of Mohuli and Asna, Koraput district, Odisha

Cost of work (Rs lakh)
16.00

03

Panchayat Information and Resource Centre in Gandhigram Rural University, Dindigul district, Tamil Nadu

Cost of work (Rs lakh)
10.00

04

Community Training Centre in Varora, Chandrapur district, Maharashtra

Cost of work (Rs lakh)
10.00

05

A Community Hall in Narippaiyur, Ramanathapuram district, Tamil Nadu

Cost of work (Rs lakh)
10.00

06

Community Training Centre in Bartua, Ranchi district, Jharkhand

Cost of work (Rs lakh)
25.00

07

Two Community Halls at Panchayat Union Office, Narayanapuram, Sankarankovil taluk, Tirunelveli district, Tamil Nadu

Cost of work (Rs lakh)
22.00

08

A Community Hall at Naguluppalapadu, Prakasam district, Andhra Pradesh

Cost of work (Rs lakh)
10.00

09

A Community Hall at Illuppur taluk, Annavasal region, Pudukkottai district, Tamil Nadu

Cost of work (Rs lakh)
20.00

10

Two Community Centres at Meenangadi Grama Panchayat, Wayanad district, Kerala (work in progress)

Cost of work (Rs lakh)
22.00

11

Multipurpose Community Centre at Meenavar Grama Panchayat, Poompuhar, Nagapattinam district, Tamil Nadu

Cost of work (Rs lakh)
25.00

12

One Community Hall each at Marukkalamatti and Manathi villages, Elachipalayam Panchayat Union, Namakkal district, Tamil Nadu

Cost of work (Rs lakh)
50.00

13

One Tribal Community Hall each at Japapatraput and Pujariguda villages, Koraput district, Odisha

Cost of work (Rs lakh)
24.00

14

A Multipurpose Community Hall at Kodyakkadu village, Vedaranyam taluk, Nagapattinam district, Tamil Nadu

Cost of work (Rs lakh)
30.00

15

One Tribal Community Hall each at Phulbad and Kundura villages, Koraput district, Odisha

Cost of work (Rs lakh)
16.00

16

A Multipurpose Hall at Melseshamangalam village, Cheyyar taluk, Tiruvannamalai district, Tamil Nadu

Cost of work (Rs lakh)
25.00

17

A Community Hall in Nerao, Raigad district, Maharashtra

Cost of work (Rs lakh)
08.00

18

A Community Hall in fishing village, Minjur panchayat, Lighthouse Nadukuppam, Pazhaverkadu, Thiruvallur district, Tamil Nadu

Cost of work (Rs lakh)
25.00

19

A Community Hall in Cheyyur taluk, Kanchipuram district, Tamil Nadu

Cost of work (Rs lakh)
25.00

20

One Community Multipurpose Hall each in the five panchayats of Ariyur Nadu, Valavanthi Nadu, Valappur Nadu, Gundur Nadu and Bail Nadu in Kolli Hills, Namakkal district, Tamil Nadu

Cost of work (Rs lakh)
88.00

21

A Community Facility Centre at Bodad village panchayat, Nagpur-Amaravathi highway, Wardha district, Maharashtra (work in progress)

Cost of work (Rs lakh)
15.00

22

One additional Community Multipurpose Hall each in the ten remote and backward villages of Oorakaligampatti, Sulavanthipatti, Navakadu, Velikadu, Tholikunnu, Vadugapatti, Ambedkar Nagar, Akkiampatti, Thuthikulam Adi Dravidar Colony and N. Pudhupatti Adi Dravidar Colony in Kolli Hills, Namakkal district, Tamil Nadu.

Cost of work (Rs lakh)
185.00

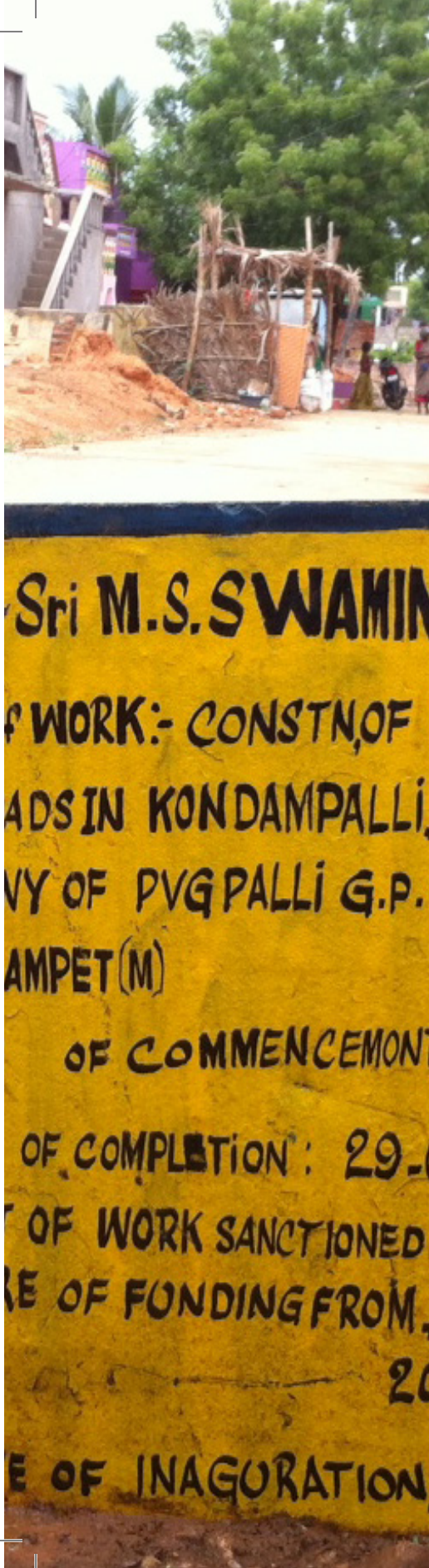
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Village Development

The MPLAD scheme is an excellent way to develop and strengthen infrastructure, like drinking water facilities, borewells, roads, bus shelters, check dams, etc., particularly in rural and remote areas. Roads near agricultural lands that strengthen connectivity in backward and remote villages are very critical for farmers to reach their produce to the markets in time. Across six states — Tamil Nadu, Kerala, Andhra Pradesh, Maharashtra, Jharkhand and Odisha — 41 projects were carried out with an outlay of Rs. 3.02 crore. One of the significant contributions in this sector has been towards street electrification as part of the solar electrification convergence project in Gumla district, Jharkhand.



01

An internal road from Dhontiphaha on the Wardha-Rasulabad Road to village Pipri in Wardha Zilla Parishad, Wardha district, Maharashtra

Cost of work (Rs lakh)
16.36

02

Three check dams at N. Kumarapuram, Sathur post, Virudhunagar, Tamil Nadu

Cost of work (Rs lakh)
11.00

03

Drinking water facility and classrooms in T. Kammappalli village, and a road through agricultural lands to transport agricultural produce to markets in Pullampet, Kadappa district, Andhra Pradesh

Cost of work (Rs lakh)
06.00

04

An overhead water tank at the Higher Secondary School, Pallipalayam, Southapuram, Namakkal district, Tamil Nadu

Cost of work (Rs lakh)
03.75

05

A tar road connecting Puthoorvayal-Cherai Road, Puthoorvayal, Meppadi Grama panchayat, Wayanad district, Kerala

Cost of work (Rs lakh)
09.00

06

An overhead water tank in Palani, Dindigul district, Tamil Nadu

Cost of work (Rs lakh)
17.00

07

A Bal Bhavan and sports stadium in the model village Hivrebaazar, Ahmednagar district, Maharashtra.

Cost of work (Rs lakh)
19.86

08

Solar electrification and streetlights as part of the convergence project in Gumla district, Jharkhand

Cost of work (Rs lakh)
25.00

09

A bus shelter at Sankarankoil and a road leading to the ladies hostel on the Sankarankoil-Kazhugumalai road, Tirunelveli district, Tamil Nadu

Cost of work (Rs lakh)
03.00

10

A mineral water plant and a road from the overhead water tank to Gullakamma road at Surpanch, Chekurapadu post, Naguluppallapadu, Prakasam district, Andhra Pradesh

Cost of work (Rs lakh)
15.00

11

A road from Vikasmarg junction (Moncombu Devi temple - Avittom Thirunal Government Higher Secondary School and Kochaumoodu) to Arattuvazhy Road, Vettikad, Kalathiparambil Chennamka P.O., Alappuzha district, Kerala

Cost of work (Rs lakh)
25.00

12

A community bath complex, tubewell, and a community pond at Cherkaput village, Ghumara Digapur G.P, Kundura, Koraput district, Odisha

Cost of work (Rs lakh)
03.50

13

A community tubewell each in Phukiaguda and Khutguda villages, Lima, Kundra, Koraput district, Odisha

Cost of work (Rs lakh)
06.50

14

An ice plant at Vanagiri, near Poompuhar, Nagapattinam district, Tamil Nadu to enable fishermen to store and value add their products

Cost of work (Rs lakh)
15.00

15

Two internal tar roads in the 15th ward, Thiruvalangadu, Chinnamapet village, Thiruthani, Thiruvallur district, Tamil Nadu

Cost of work (Rs lakh)
25.00

16

An internal road in Khardi and Varandoli villages, Mahad taluk, Raigad district, Maharashtra

Cost of work (Rs lakh)
10.00

17

Roads to strengthen the connectivity at nine different locations near agricultural lands in the backward and remote village T. Kammapalli, Pullampet mandal, Kadapa district, Andhra Pradesh

Cost of work (Rs lakh)
39.00

18

Solar street lights also installed at T. Kammapalli village.

Cost of work (Rs lakh)
05.00

19

Four cement roads in the 15th ward, Thiruvalangadu, Chinnamapet, Thiruthani, Thiruvallur district, Tamil Nadu

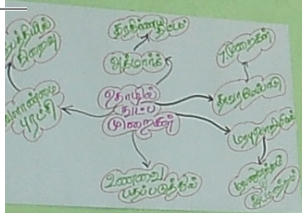
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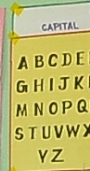
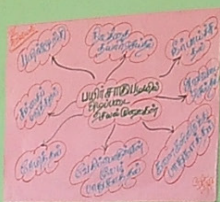
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Borewells in 3 locations in the 10th ward, Thiruthani municipality, Thiruvallur district, Tamil Nadu

Cost of work (Rs lakh)
15.00







Libraries

Modernisation and digitisation of libraries are very important and, today, we have technologies to upgrade our libraries to make them of contemporary use. Towards this, a few important libraries that have a strong focus on conservation, documentation and digitisation have been supported with a total outlay of Rs.108.5 lakh, in three different states — Tamil Nadu, the Punjab and Uttar Pradesh. The work is ongoing.

01

Upgradation and modernisation of the Museum at the Birbal Sahni Institute of Palaeobotany (under the Department of Science and Technology, Government of India), Lucknow, Uttar Pradesh (work in progress)

Cost of work (Rs lakh)
50.00

02

Library in the Government Girls' Higher Secondary School, Kumbakonam, Tamil Nadu

Cost of work (Rs lakh)
08.50

03

Renovation of the Museum of Social History and Rural Life, Centre for Communication & International Linkages, the Punjab Agricultural University, Ludhiana, the Punjab (work in progress)

Cost of work (Rs lakh)
25.00

04

Library extension for Roja Muthiah Research Library, Taramani, Chennai, Tamil Nadu (work in progress)

Cost of work (Rs lakh)
25.00



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Hospitals

Medical facilities need to be supported for upgrades and more so in government- run institutions. A total of Rs. 139 lakh was the expenditure outlay in this sector.

01

Purchase of Digital Subtraction Angiography Equipment for the Institute of Post-Graduate Medical Education and Research (S.S.K.M. Hospital), Kolkata, West Bengal

Cost of work (Rs lakh)
95.00

02

A dormitory for aged leprosy patients and handicapped persons at Maharogi Sewa Samiti, Warora, Anandwan, Chandrapur district, Maharashtra (work is in progress)

Cost of work (Rs lakh)
44.00

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