

Implementation of MPs Local Area Development Scheme in Meghalaya

The Scheme has been implemented in the State since inception of the Scheme i.e. in 1993-94. The entitlement of fund for each MP (Whether LS or RS) is as under:-

1. Rs. 5.00 Lakhs for 1993-94
2. Rs. 1.00 Crore for 1994-95 to 1997-98
3. Rs.2.00 Crore from 1998-99 onwards.

There are only two Members of Parliament of the Lok Sabha, one for Shillong Parliamentary Constituency and one for Tura Parliamentary Constituency and there is only one elected Member of Parliament from the State to the Rajya Sabha. Dr.B.B.Dutta, the nominated member to the Rajya Sabha had recommended Schemes during the year 1994-95, 1997-98, 1998-99 and 1999-2000.

Programme Implementation and Evaluation Department has been designated as the nodal Department at the State level to monitor and coordinate with the Ministry of Statistics and Programme Implementation.

Implementation/execution of works - Majority of the works under the Scheme are implemented through the BDOs and only few works are implemented through other State Government Departments like MeSEB, PWD, Housing etc.

Nodal Deputy Commissioners – There are only two nodal Deputy Commissioners in the State viz. DC, Shillong and DC, Tura. The DC, Shillong is the nodal DC for Lok Sabha MP from Shillong Parliamentary Constituency while the DC, Tura is the nodal DC for the Lok Sabha MP of Tura Parliamentary Constituency and the present Rajya Sabha MP, Shri Thomas Sangma.

Monitoring – At the State Level, the State Level Monitoring Committee on MPLADS under the Chairmanship of the Chief Secretary was constituted to review the progress of the works at least once a year and the first meeting of the Committee was held 13.11.2007. The Commissioners of Division were also entrusted to review the performance of the works in the districts under their jurisdiction. The Executive Engineers of DRDA of all Districts were also assigned to inspect the position of the works in the field.

Progress of works – The status report as on January 2010 (both financially & physically) of all MPLADS works implemented in the State since inception of the Scheme i.e 1993-94 in respect of all MPs of the State both Lok Sabha and Rajya Sabha is placed below at Annexure I & II.