

Circular No: C-05/2020-MPLADS

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M/o Statistics & PI
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Subject: Disaster Resilient Assets/Infrastructure under MPLADS- reg.

This is regarding creation of Disaster Resilient Assets by the States / UTs under MPLADS. One of the points on the ten-point agenda for the First Asian Ministerial Conference on Disaster Risk Reduction (AMCDRR) held in Nov, 2016 was as follows, *"All Public Expenditure to take into account Risk Consideration and promote disaster resilient infrastructure"*.

2. National Disaster Management Authority, M/o Home Affairs vide its D.O. letter No. 20019/562/2017(Part) dated 23rd January, 2020 has also impressed upon the same and has stated that as per Section 36 and 37 of the Disaster Management Act, 2005, it is the responsibility of every Ministry or Department of the Government of India to take holistic measures for disaster management / Disaster Relief Response (DRR) while also drawing attention to Section 37 (2)(a) which requires Ministry concerned to make financial provisions to carry out the activities specified in the disaster management plan.

3. In so far as making separate financial provisions or earmarking a certain percentage of MPLADS funds for disaster management plans under MPLAD Scheme is concerned, it is the prerogative of the Members of Parliament to recommend the works to the District Authority and therefore, the Ministry has decided that, it may not be feasible to fix a certain percentage under any particular head at the national level.

4. However, keeping in view the salience of afore-cited Sections of Disaster Management Act, 2005 and also the fact that extant MPLADS Guidelines already provide for retrofitting of essential lifeline buildings viz. Govt Hospitals, Govt Schools

and public buildings to be used as shelters in an emergency as well as Early Warning Systems for effective disaster mitigation (Scheme: 014 & 015 under Head "Other Public Facilities" in Annexure- IVE respectively), *District Authorities may factor in the aspect of constructing disaster-resilient assets/infrastructure, wherever feasible, at the stage of preparing technical estimates itself of the eligible MPLADS works.*

5. Hindi Version of this Circular shall follow.
6. This issues with the approval of the Competent Authority.

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To

1. The Nodal Secretaries of States/ UTs
2. The Commissioners (Corporations of Kolkata / Chennai / Delhi)
3. All District Collectors / District Magistrates / Deputy Commissioners