Subject: Establishment of Facilitation Centre for MPs at district level for MPLAD Scheme-reg

This is to draw your kind attention to the provisions regarding “establishment of Facilitation Centre for MPs at district level” in the extant Guidelines on MPLADS, which are reproduced below for ready reference.

2. Para 3.34 stipulates as follows, “Creation of a Facilitation Centre at each district: An MP would be entitled for setting up of MPLADS Facilitation Centre in the Nodal District for which space/room would be provided by the DC/DM in the premises of either the DRDA or the CDO Office/ CEO, District Panchayat Office. The capital cost of setting up of such facilities including equipment, furniture, etc. shall not exceed Rs. 5 Lakh and will be met from MPLADS funds”.

Further, Para 3.34.1 stipulates as follows, “The main function of the facilitation centre would be to provide to the Hon’ble MPs all the information at one place relevant for the effective implementation of the Scheme. If a district has been opted by more than one MP, the facilitation centre will provide service to all these MPs. The facilitation centre should work under the direct control of the District Authority. The supervision is envisaged from the existing officers in the DRDA or the CDO office/CEO District Panchayat Office (wherever space is provided). A lone Data Entry Operator, if necessary, may be engaged, through outsourcing/contract from within the 2% administrative charges. If a Data Entry Operator is engaged, the engagement shall be strictly casual (outsourced/contractual), it shall not be against any post and shall not, in any form, be construed as government employment. That no liability, administrative or legal or financial, accrues on the Government (State or Centre) in future, shall be the responsibility of the District Authority that makes the engagement.”

3. Related provisions as per Annexure-IIA of Guidelines on MPLADS are as under:
A. Para 9.2 specifies as follows, "This facilitation centre should have computer with internet facility and other related facilities. The persons managing the facilitation centre should ensure that all the information about the ongoing MPLADS works in the district, information on all the completed works, up to date financial information and up to date MPLADS Guidelines and circulars are available in the facilitation centre. Apart from this, the facilitation centre should also display details of ongoing MPLADS works and should also maintain details of shelf of projects.

The information provided through the facilitation centres inter alia includes the following:

(i) Details of works:
   (a) recommended by the MP
   (b) pending examination
   (c) found ineligible and rejected
   (d) sanctioned
   (e) pending sanction, with reasons thereof

(ii) Details of works under implementation, including their physical and financial progress.

(iii) Details of completed works, including total expenditure incurred thereon.


In addition, the facilitation centres should also maintain the following:

- Guidelines on MPLADS
- Circulars issued from time to time by Ministry of Statistics and Programme Implementation.
- Indicative and illustrative Shelf of Projects."

B. Para 9.3 states as follows, "The facilitation centre should have their own e-mail address. If required, the District Authority should take the assistance of the District NIC Cell in establishing such a facilitation centre. Further, District Authority should ensure that the persons engaged on contract for managing the facilitation centre should be well-behaved and courteous."

C. Para 9.4 lays down, "The recurring running expenses will be booked under 2% administrative charges, of which the Nodal District gets 0.8%".

4. District Authorities are requested to take necessary action at their end towards establishing Facilitation Centres as per the afore-mentioned provisions of the Guidelines on MPLADS, if not already done so far.

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

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To

(1) The Nodal Secretaries of States/ UTs with the request to compile the status of availability of facilitation centres at the District level and forward the same to MOSPI.

(2) The Commissioners
Corporations of Kolkata / Chennai / Delhi

(3) All District Collectors / District Magistrates / Deputy Commissioners

Copy to:-

1. All Hon’ble Members of Parliament (Lok Sabha / Rajya Sabha) for kind information

2. NIC-MOSPI with the request to upload on the MPLADS website.