

1. MPLADS

1.19 Construction of Bar (Legal Practitioners) libraries which are open to the members of the Court and the ownership of library buildings not vested with private associations

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To
The Commissioners
Corporation of Kolkata /Chennai/Delhi
District Collectors/ District Magistrates / Deputy Commissioners
All Districts

Sub : Amendment to the Guidelines on MPLAD Scheme

Sir/Madam,

The demand for the construction of libraries for legal practitioners (Bar) in the country with MPLAD fund has been coming to the Government from Members of Parliament. The existing guidelines on MPLAD Scheme provide for the construction of libraries for educational institutions belonging to Government or local bodies and also to aided institutions and unaided but recognized institutions provided the institution has been in existence for not less than 2 years. Construction of public libraries and reading rooms are also permissible.

2. Keeping in view the demand made in this regard, it has been decided that the construction of libraries for legal practitioners may also be allowed with some conditions. Accordingly, the following shall be added as item No.33 in the illustrative list of works that can be taken up under MPLAD Scheme, given at Appendix 1 of the Guidelines on MPLADS:

" 33 Construction of Bar (legal practitioners) libraries provided (i) such libraries, while essentially for use by members of the Bar, are also open to the members of the court, Bench law students and other interested ; and (ii) the ownership of the building of such libraries vests with the Government /Local Body / Courts and registered Societies or Bar Associations but not with private associations."

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