Major initiatives and achievements of the Ministry of Statistics & Programme Implementation during July 2016

On the Statistics side, we released monthly Index of Industrial Production (IIP) and the Consumer Price Index (CPI). The salient features of these are:

- As per the Quick Estimates (QE) of Index of Industrial Production (IIP) with base year 2004-05 the general index for the month of May 2016 stood at 181.8, which is 1.2% higher as compared to the level in the corresponding month of previous year.
- The General Consumer Price Indices (CPI) for the month of June 2016 for rural, urban and combined showed an annual inflation rate of 6.20%, 5.26%, and 5.77% respectively. The Consumer Food Price Indices (CFPI) for the month of June 2016 for rural, urban and combined showed an annual inflation rate of 7.61%, 8.16% and 7.79% respectively.
- 2. Our monitoring of the infrastructure sector highlighted the following:
 - As per the latest Flash Report for the ongoing Central Sector Projects costing ₹ 150 crore and above of May 2016, there are 1076 such ongoing projects, out of which 241 have cost overruns, with average cost overrun being 97.76% of original cost, which is a matter of concern. Also, 330 projects (30.67% of total ongoing projects) are delayed and the average delay/time overrun of the delayed project is about 41.47 months. During May 2016, only 5 projects have reported completion. 52 projects have reported additional delays vis-à-vis the date of completion reported in the previous month.
 - As per the latest Review Report on the Performance of the Infrastructure Sectors for the period April 2016, Power Generation (+13.21%), Refinery Production (+5.16%), Export cargo handled at Airports (+2.99%), Passengers traffic handled at International Terminal of the Airport (+0.77%) and Passengers traffic handled at Domestic Terminals of the Airports (+14.98%) exceeded their targets.
 - The sectors that fell short of their targets are Coal Production (-1.62%), Fertilizers Production (-10.43%), Crude Oil Production (-0.14%), Natural Gas Production (-1.33%), Goods traffic carried by Railways (-11.00%) and Import cargo handled at Airports (-0.63%).
- 3. Under MPLADS, ₹ 240 crore have been released during the Month of July 2016 and the total fund released during the financial year 2016-17 up to 31st July 2016 is ₹ 1098 crore.
- 4. A brief presentation about working of the Ministry, its achievements, issues and challenges, way forward etc was made before the new Honourable Minister on 11th July 2016. Division-wise presentations are being held.