

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
FINANCE  
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:7008  
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OVERSPENDING ON TRAVEL  
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**Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:**

- (a) the head-wise details of funds allocated and actually spent by Union Ministers, Chief Ministers during the last three years, year-wise and State-wise;
- (b) corrective measures taken/proposed to be taken to check extra bonanza by politicians and save tax payers' money; and
- (c) the steps proposed to be taken to utilize this money for welfare of Common Man?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI NAMO NARA1N MEENA)

(a): No funds are allocated by the Central Government to the States for incurring travel expenditure by Chief Ministers. According to information made available by the Ministry of Home Affairs, the details of funds allocated and expenditure incurred on the visit of Union Cabinet Ministers and Ministers of State (MoS) of the Central Government during the last three financial years are as follows:-

(Rupees in Thousands)

Heads	Budget	Actual	Budget	Actual	Funds allocated	Actual
	2009	2009	2010	2010-11	for 2011-12	Expenditure
				Re-	(including during	
				appropriation)#	Supplementary/	
				(as on	2011-12	
				31.03.2012)#		

Foreign	1200000	611023	750000	371700	6615800	6615778
Travel						
Expenses						
of						
Cabinet						
Ministers						

Domestic	150000	91649	100000	69300	74500	54499
Travel						
Expenses of						
Cabinet						
Ministers						

Foreign	150000	37771	100000	47600	60000	49999
Travel						
Expenses of						
MoS						

Domestic	107600	74991	75000	73000	65000	64984
Travel						
Expenses of						
MoS						

Total	1607600	815434	1025000	561600	6815300	6785260
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# - This includes additional provision/expenditure incurred on account of payment of dues to Air India for WIP travels and maintenance of aircraft as well as payment of past arrears to Air India.

(b) & (c): Travel is undertaken based on functional requirements and international commitments and all efforts are made to observe economy.