

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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CUTS IN GBS

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Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of concept, parameters and relation of the Gross Budgetary Support (GBS) with the Central Plan of the Government;
- (b) whether his Ministry proposes to make sizeable cuts in the GBS to various developmental schemes under different Ministries;
- (c) if so, the details thereof, Ministry and scheme-wise along with the reasons therefor;
- (d) whether the Government has faced opposition from any quarter over the issue; and
- (e) if so, the details and the reaction of the Government thereto?

Answer

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

(a): Gross Budgetary Support (GBS) to Plan comprises of budgetary resources provided from the Union Budget for Central Plan as well as Central Assistance to States/UT Plans. Central Plan outlay for each Ministry/Department of the Central Government comprises two components (i) Gross Budgetary Support (GBS) to Central Plan and (ii) internal and Extra Budgetary Resources (IEBR) of Central Public Sector Enterprises (CPSEs). Budgetary allocations of Plan schemes in various Ministries/Departments are made by the Planning Commission on the basis of inter-sectoral priorities keeping in view the Gross Budgetary Support (GBS) and prioritisation of sectoral requirements.

(b) to (e): Consultations are being held with Ministries/Departments regarding the revised budgetary requirement for various items of expenditure including Plan expenditure. Decision about revised budgetary allocation will be taken on the basis of fiscal space, priority of items of expenditure and ability of the Ministries/Departments to spend, in consultation with them. The revised estimates of expenditure are laid at the time of presentation of Union Budget, 2014-15.