

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
DEFENCE
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2992

ANSWERED ON:10.02.2014

FUNDS FOR MODERNISATION OF ARMED FORCES

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Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has been able to spend the funds allocated during the last three years;
- (b) if so, the details thereof indicating the funds allocated and spent during the said period;
- (c) whether the funds allocated for the modernisation of the armed forces has reportedly been slashed and if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;
- (d) whether the Government proposes to set up non-lapsable funds for modernisation of the armed forces to utilise the unused funds in the subsequent years and if so, the details thereof along with the present status of the proposal; and
- (e) the corrective steps taken by the Government to ensure that modernisation process is not hampered due to cut in fund allocation?

Answer

MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI A.K. ANTONY)

(a) to (e): A statement is attached.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (e) OF LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2992 FOR ANSWER ON 10.2.2014

The details of allocations and expenditure under the Defence Services Estimates during the last three years, are as under:-

(Rs. in crores)				
Year	BE	RE	Actuals	
2010-11	147344.00	151581.69	154116.7	
2011-12	164415.49	170936.81	170913.28	
2012-13	193407.29	178503.52	181775.78	

Expenditure on modernisation pertaining to the last three years is as given below:

(Rs in crores)	
Year	Actuals
2010-11	62,056.00
2011-12	67,902.38
2012-13	70,499.12

BE 2013-2014 for modernisation has been fixed at `86,740.71 crore. RE 2013-2014 is currently under finalisation by the Ministry of Finance. Progress of implementation of modernisation schemes is constantly reviewed with a view to prioritise expenditure and ensure that schemes are not hampered for want of funds.

There is currently no proposal to set up a non-lapsable fund for modernization of the Armed forces.