

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF DEFENCE
DEPARTMENT OF DEFENCE
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.783

TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 20TH DECEMBER, 2017

MILITARY EXPENDITURE

783. SHRI KALIKESH N. SINGH DEO:

Will the Minister of DEFENCE जिक्र कए=ह
be pleased to state:

- (a) whether military expenditure as a percentage of GDP has reduced over a period of time and if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;
- (b) whether the Government is not spending proportionately on operations and maintenance of military equipment and development of defence infrastructure; and
- (c) if so, the reasons therefor along with the details of the funds allocated for modernization and equipment in the last three years?

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MINISTER OF STATE
IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE

(DR. SUBHASH BHAMRE)

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(a) Budget Estimates (BE) under DSE is as under:

(Rs. in Crore)

	BE 2015-16	BE 2016-17	BE 2017-18
Revenue	1,52,139.00	1,62,759.00	1,72,773.89
Capital	94,588.00	86,340.00	86,488.01
Total	2,46,727.00	2,49,099.00	2,59,261.90
As % GDP	2.15	1.65	1.54

It may be seen from the above figures that Defence Expenditure as a percentage of GDP may appear to be decreasing due to increasing trend in growth of GDP however, Defence Expenditure is increasing every year in absolute terms.

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(b) The expenditure on operation / maintenance and Defence Infrastructure has been maintained optimally.

(c) Details of capital budget which includes expenditure on modernisation and equipment for the last three years are as follows:

(Rs. in Crores)

Year	Budget Estimates	Expenditure
2015-16	94,588.00	79,958.31
2016-17	86,340.00	86,370.92
2017-18	86,488.01	65,945.02*

*Expenditure till November, 2017.
