

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF DEFENCE
DEFENCE RESEARCH & DEVELOPMENT ORGANISATION
LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.1569
TO BE ANSWERED ON 27th November, 2019

DRDO BUDGET

1569. SHRI PATEL HASMUKHBHAI SOMABHAI:

Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has increased the budget of Defence Research Development Organisation (DRDO) during the last three years;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the details of new activities undertaken by DRDO?

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MINISTER OF STATE
IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE

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(SHRI SHRIPAD NAIK)

(श्री श्रीपाद नाईक)

(a) & (b): The allocation details for the last three years and the current year at different budgetary stages are as under:

Year	Allocation of funds (Rs. in crore)
2016-17	13501.00
2017-18	15399.25
2018-19	17121.99
2019-20 (Budget Estimate)	19021.02

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It is evident from the above table that the Government has increased the DRDO budget in absolute terms during the last three years. Moreover, Government has always been supportive for providing additional funds on need basis.

(c) DRDO has created 5 young scientist laboratories, to produce innovative, out-of-the box solutions to meet the needs of the Armed Forces

- Artificial Intelligence, Bengaluru
- Asymmetric Warfare Technology, Kolkata
- Cognitive Sensor Technology, Chennai
- Smart Materials, Hyderabad
- Quantum Technology, Mumbai

During the last 3 years (01 Jan 2017 – till date), 29 major projects (>Rs. 75 Cr) have been sanctioned (since Jun 2019) at a cost of Rs. 26,029 Cr. Some of these are: Submarine Launched Cruise Missile (SLCM), Medium Range Surface to Air Missile (MRSAM) for Indian Army, Vertical Launch – Short Range Surface to Air Missile (VL-SRSAM) based Weapon System, Long Range Anti-Ship Missile, Naval Anti-Ship Missile – Short Range (NASM – SR), Guided Pinaka Rocket System, Long Range Glide Bomb, Advanced SATCOM Technologies, 1500 hp Automatic Transmission, Tactical Radios for Land Systems, Digital Active Phased Array Radar, Long Range Radar.
