GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF FINANCE

DEPARTMENT OF INVESTMENT AND PUBLIC ASSET MANAGEMENT

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UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1638

TO BE ANSWERED ON TUESDAY, MARCH 9, 2021 18 PHALGUNA, 1942 (SAKA)

Disinvestment Targets

1638. Shri Digvijaya Singh:

Shri Kumar Ketkar:

Shri Rajmani Patel:

Will the Minister of **Finance** be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the budgeted disinvestment target for 2020-21 will be met as per Government's assessment;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and, if not, the reasons therefor;
- (c) the proportion of the disinvestment target for 2020-21 which has been achieved as of January 15, 2021, in percentage terms;
- (d) whether receipts from disinvestment as a proportion of the total budget have declined since 2014, if so, the reasons therefor; and
- (e) the total disinvestment receipts as a proportion of total receipts for each financial year since 2014?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI ANURAG SINGH THAKUR)

(a) and (b): The revised estimate (RE) for disinvestment receipt in 2020-21 is Rs 32,000 crore, against the budget estimate (BE) of Rs 2,10,000 crore (of which Rs. 90,000 crore was envisaged for disinvestment in financial institutions, and Rs 1,20,000 crore was estimated as receipts from disinvestment in CPSEs).

The adverse market conditions arising due to COVID-19 adversely impacted Government's plans for disinvestment. The covid-19 pandemic and contraction in manufacturing and services

post lockdown coupled with uncertainty in financial markets, posed significant challenges before the disinvestment efforts of the government, and delayed transactions both for minority stake sale and strategic disinvestment during large part of FY 2020-21. With the recovery of the stock market subsequently, the disinvestment transactions are coming back on track.

(c)As on 03.03.2021, Government has realized disinvestment receipt of Rs. 20,627 crore which is around 64% of Revised Estimate (RE) in 2020-21.

(d): The details of disinvestment receipts as a proportion of Budget Estimates (BE) during the period 2014-15 to 2019-20 are given as under:

(Rs. in crore)

	Disinvestment	Budget	Revised Estimates	Receipts as
Year	Receipts	Estimates (BE)	(RE)	% of BE
2014-15	24349	43425	26353	56.07%
2015-16	23997	69500	25314	34.53%
2016-17	46247	56500	45500	81.85%
2017-18	100057	72500	100000	138.01%
2018-19	84972	80000	80000	106.22%
2019-20	50299	105000	65000	47.90%

Disinvestment of GOI equity in CPSEs depends largely on market sentiment, investor interest, and market valuation of CPSE stocks. Over a period of time, the scope of minority stake sale has declined and strategic disinvestment & privatization would be the primary mode for disinvestment receipts.

(e): The details of disinvestment receipts as a proportion of total receipts (revenue and capital receipts) for each financial year since 2014-15 are given as follows:

(Rs. In crores)

Year	Disinvestment Receipts	Total Receipts (revenue+capital)	Disinvestment Receipts as % of total receipts
2014-15	24349	1585921	1.54%
2015-16	23997	1774434	1.35%
2016-17	46247	1984089	2.33%
2017-18	100057	2137882	4.68%
2018-19	84972	2316434	3.67%
2019-20	50299	2681360	1.88%
