

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF EDUCATION  
DEPARTMENT OF SCHOOL EDUCATION & LITERACY**

**RAJYA SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2580  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 18.03.2021**

**Reduction in budget for education**

2580 Shri Sanjay Singh:  
Shri Sujeet Kumar:

Will the Minister of Education be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the allocations for the Department of School Education and Literacy of the Ministry of Education has dropped to Rs 53,603.16 crore (2021-22 BE) from Rs 59,368 crore (2020-21 BE), a decline of nearly 10 percent; and
- (b) the details thereof and reasons for the budgetary cut?

**ANSWER**

**MINISTER OF EDUCATION  
(SHRI RAMESH POKHRIYAL 'NISHANK')**

- (a): The Revised Estimate (RE) for Department of School Education and Literacy for the year 2020-21 is Rs. 52,189.07 crore. The Budget Estimate (BE) for the year 2021-22 is Rs. 54,873.66 crore. The allocation of funds has increased by 5.14% in the year 2021-22 in comparison to RE 2020-21.
- (b): Does not arise.

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