

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF EDUCATION
DEPARTMENT OF HIGHER EDUCATION**

**RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2753
TO BE ANSWERED ON 22.12.2021**

Reduction in budget for education

2753. SHRI JAWHAR SIRCAR :

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

- (a) whether the budget of the Ministry was reduced in 2021-21 from ₹ 99,312 crores to ₹85,089 crores at the RE stage, which means a cut of 14 per cent;
- (b) what was the final expenditure for 2020-21 and how does it compare to the BE, RE and actuals of the previous three years; and
- (c) the actual expenditure or final estimate of the last four years in terms of major head or allocation?

**ANSWER
MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EDUCATION
(DR. SUBHAS SARKAR)**

(a): The budget of the Ministry of Education was reduced from Rs. 99,311.52 Crore to Rs. 85089.07 Crore in 2020-21 (14.32% reduction).

(b): The details of the Budget Estimate, Revised Estimate, and Actual Expenditure of 2017-18, 2018-19, 2019-20 and 2020-21 for M/o Education are given below:

Rs. In Crore

Year	Budget Estimates	Revised Estimates	Actual Expenditure
2017-18	79685.95	81868.71	80200.37
2018-19	85010.29	83625.86	79974.03
2019-20	94853.64	94853.64	89508.86
2020-21	99311.52	85089.07	84026.73

(c): The details of the Actual Expenditure of 2017-18, 2018-19, 2019-20 and 2020-21 for M/o Education in terms of Major Head are given below:

Rs. In Crore

Major Head	2017-18	2018-19	2019-20	2020-21
2202-General Education	24991.13	21514.56	27377.27	27742.74
2203-Technical Education	15779.99	15544.87	14911.50	14403.75
2251-Secretariat-Social Services	115.98	125.81	126.86	122.36
3601-Grants-in –aid to State Government	38841.59	40267.38	43865.62	40722.80
3602-Grants-in –aid to Union Territory Governments with legislature	221.68	258.91	1122.62	829.34
4202-Capital Outlay on Education, Sports, Art and Culture	250.00	2262.50	2104.99	205.74
Total	80200.37	79974.03	89508.86	84026.73
