

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 491
TO BE ANSWERED ON 09.12.2022**

PUBLIC DIPLOMACY BUDGET

491. SHRI MANISH TEWARI:

Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of Public Diplomacy budget of MEA from April 2019 to 30 November 2022, year-wise;
- (b) whether the MEA funds Think Tanks, Research Organizations, Foundations for Profit or Non Profit and/or Government/*quasi* Government organizations from its Public Diplomacy Budget or any other budgetary head and if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the details of money/funds given to each think tank/research organization/ foundation/Government or *quasi* Government organization including the specific activity for which these funds are provided year-wise/ activity-wise/ Think Tank/ Research organization/ Government or *quasi* Government organization-wise clearly delineating the amount given and the purpose for which it has been given/spent from 01 April 2019 to 30 November 2022; and
- (d) whether the MEA has commissioned or proposes to commission any study to ascertain whether this expenditure has helped India's strategic, tactical, or even diplomatic interests, if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS

(DR. RAJKUMAR RANJAN SINGH)

- (a) The details of Public Diplomacy (PD) budget of M/o External Affairs from April 1, 2019 to 30th November, 2022, year-wise is placed in Annexure-A
- (b) & (c) Yes. The Policy Planning and Research (PP&R) Division of MEA supports autonomous bodies such as the Indian Council of World Affairs (ICWA) and the Research and Information Systems (RIS). It also supports events, studies,

conferences and seminars by various think tanks and institutions. MEA participates in and supports major conferences including Raisina Dialogue, Indian Ocean Conference, Global Technology Summit, Asia Economic Dialogue and India-US Forum.

Details of money given to various think tanks, research organizations and universities from April 1, 2019 to November 30, 2022 is placed at Annexure B.

(d) MEA regularly assesses the utilization of funds to ensure accountability and optimum results achieved from such outreach.

ANNEXURE A**Details of Public Diplomacy (PD) Budget of M/o External Affairs from April, 2019 to 30th November, 2022.**

S. No.	Financial Year	Budget Allotted [Final Estimates (FE)] (in crores)	Expenditure incurred as per O/o Pr. Chief Controller of Accounts (in crores)	Particulars of Expenditure
1.	2019-2020	18.71	14.72	The expenditure under PD Budget incurred on: 1. Procurement of books (selected by Book Committee) and other publicity material and their supply in Headquarters and for representation purpose and libraries of Missions/ Posts abroad; 2. Commissioning of short films, documentaries, and other audio-visual material for publicity purpose; 3. Procurement of non-commercial screening rights of Hindi and regional language films and sharing them with Missions/Posts for local screening; 4. Dubbing/Sub-titling of documentary and feature films in foreign language; 5. Purchase and supply of selected audio/video music CDs/DVDs/Pen Drives to Headquarters & Missions/ Posts abroad; etc. 6. Sanctioning funds to Missions/Posts abroad for organizing publicity activities/events etc. From the budget of XPD Division; 7. Public outreach activities like Distinguished Lecture Series etc.
2.	2020-2021	9.90	7.46	
3.	2021-2022	12.90	6.43	
4.	2022-2023 (till 30 th November , 2022)	15.54	3.91	

Details of Expenditure on Holding of Seminars and Research Studies, Support to Institutes of Chinese Studies and Grants to Autonomous Bodies of M/o External Affairs from April, 2019 to 30th November, 2022.

FY 2019-20:

• **Budget Head: Expenditure on Holding Seminars and Research Studies**

S. No.	Institute	Amount (INR)	Purpose
1.	Observer Research Foundation	1,00,00,000/-	Organizing of 5th Raisina Dialogue
2.	India Foundation	99,92,000/-	Organizing of 3rd Indian Ocean Conference
3.	Ananta Centre	46,92,350/-	Organizing of India-US Forum
4.	Pune International Centre	61,20,000/-	Organizing of 3rd Asia Economic Dialogue
5.	Carnegie India	60,00,000/-	Organizing of 3rd Global Technology Summit
6.	Carnegie India	1,97,500/-	Organizing of India Strategy Forum
7.	Gateway House	10,87,948/-	Organizing of India-Canada Track 1.5 dialogue
8.	Ananta Centre	14,70,453/-	Organizing of India-Korea Track 1.5 dialogue
9.	Delhi Policy Group	9,98,955/-	Organizing of India-Japan Track 1.5 dialogue
10.	VidyaPrasarak Mandal	3,34,803/-	Conference on India's Neighbourhood First Policy
11.	Jadavpur Association of International Relations	15,63,029/-	Conference on 50 years of India-Bangladesh Relations.
12.	Madurai Kamraj University	1,00,000/-	Three day international conference on Indo-Pacific
13.	National Institute of Advanced Studies	3,28,120/-	Dialogue on Strategic Security Threats

14.	Manohar Parrikar Institute for Defence Studies and Analyses (MPIDSA)	41,56,875/-	Research Projects and Publications
15.	Manohar Parrikar Institute for Defence Studies and Analyses (MPIDSA)	5,45,137/-	4 th West Asia Conference
16.	Association of Indian Diplomats (AID)	8,25,156/-	Research Projects and Publications

- **Budget Head : Support to Institutes of Chinese Studies**

S. No.	Institute	Amount (INR)	Purpose
1.	Chennai Centre for Chinese Studies (CCCS)	6,00,000/-	Various research activities for understanding China and India-China Relations
2.	Centre for China Analysis and Strategy (CCAS)	36,40,000/-	Research Project

- **Budget Head: Grants to Autonomous Bodies**

S. No.	Autonomous Bodies	Amount (INR)	Purpose
1.	Indian Council for World Affairs	15,06,25,260/-	Activities of ICWA.
2.	Research and Information System	11,53,67,123/-	Activities of RIS

FY 2020-21:

- **Budget Head: Expenditure on Holding Seminars and Research Studies**

S No.	Institute	Amount (INR)	Purpose
1.	Association of Indian Diplomats (AID)	10,21,428/-	Research Projects and Publications
2.	Jadavpur University	15,63,029/-	Conference on India- Bangladesh relations
3.	Vidya Prasarak Mandal (VPM)	3,34,803/-	Seminar on India's Neighborhood

			First Policy
4.	Manohar Parrikar Institute for Defence Studies and Analyses (MPIDSA)	53,76,125/-	Research and Publications
5.	India Foundation	99,52,823/-	Organization of 4th Indian Ocean Conference
6.	Madurai University	1,00,000/-	Conference on Indo-Pacific
7.	Ananta Aspen Centre	25,08,135/-	Organization of India-Korea Track 1.5 Dialogue
8.	NIAS	3,28,120/-	Dialogue on Strategic Security Threats
9.	Observer Research Foundation (ORF)	1,00,00,000/-	Organization of 6th Raisina Dialogue
10.	Pune International Centre	47,06,108/-	Organization of 4th Asia Economic Dialogue
11.	Carnegie India	60,00,000/-	Organization of 4th Global Technology Summit
12.	Manohar Parrikar Institute for Defence Studies and Analyses (MPIDSA)	5,45,137/-	Organization of West Asia Conference
13.	Impact Investor Council	5,50,000/-	Organization of Conference-Prabhav
14.	Ananta Aspen Centre	17,80,000/-	Organization of 4 th India-US Forum Track 1.5 Dialogue
15.	Hudson Institute	18,53,750/-	Organization of India-U.S. Track 1.5 Dialogue
16.	Carnegie India	35,00,000/-	Organization of 5th Global Technology Summit

- **Budget Head: Support to Institute of Chinese Studies**

S.No.	Institute	Amount (INR)	Purpose
1.	Centre for China Analysis and Strategy (CCAS)	40,04,000/-	Research Project

- **Budget Head: Grants to Autonomous Bodies**

S.NO.	Autonomous Bodies	Amount (INR)	Purpose
1.	Indian Council for World Affairs	11,83,00,000/-	Activities of ICWA
2.	Research and Information System	10,88,91,564/-	Activities of RIS

FY 2021-22:

• Budget Head: Expenditure on Holding Seminars and Research Studies

SI No.	Institute	Amount (INR)	Purpose
1.	Pune International Centre (PIC)	9,47,802/-	Organization of 5 th Asia Economic Dialogue
2.	Manohar Parrikar Institute for Defence Studies and Analyses (MPIDSA)	65,16,139/-	Research and Publications
3.	Association of Indian Diplomats (AID)	8,73,008	Research Projects and Publications
4.	Delhi Policy Group (DPG)	2,00,000/-	Research Project
5.	HP Ghosh Research Centre (Bandhan Konnagar)	2,61,045/-	Organizing of Kolkata- Dhaka Dialogue
6.	Policy 4.0 Research Foundation	53,400/-	Webinar based learning on Blockchain
7.	Ananta Aspen Centre	18,50,000/-	Organizing of India Japan Track 1.5
8.	Pune International Centre (PIC)	10,09,977/-	Organizing of 6 th Asia Economic Dialogue 2022
9.	Delhi Policy Group (DPG)	8,50,000/-	4 th India-Japan Indo-Pacific Forum
10.	Institute of Social and Cultural Studies	8,18,547/-	Organizing a Virtual Symposium on -"Bimstec- A Vehicle for Growth and Development"
11.	European Council on Foreign Relations (ECFR)	10,76,875/-	Foreign Relations Study on Indo-Pacific

- **Budget Head: Support to Institute of Chinese Studies**

S. No.	Institute	Amount (INR)	Purpose
1.	Chennai Centre for Chinese Studies (CCCS)	6,00,000/-	Various research activities for understanding China and India-China Relations
2.	Centre for China Analysis and Strategy (CCAS)	40,04,000/-	Research Project

- **Budget Head: Grants to Autonomous Bodies**

S. No.	Autonomous Bodies	Amount (INR)	Purpose
1.	Indian Council for World Affairs	12,00,00,000/-	Activities of ICWA
2.	Research and Information System	11,90,65,528/-	Activities of RIS

FY 2022-23:

- **Budget Head: Expenditure on Holding Seminars and Research Studies**

SI No.	Institute	Amount (INR)	Purpose
1.	India Foundation	1,24,35,000/-	5 th Indian Ocean Conference
2.	Vidya Prasarak Mandal's Centre	5,57,260/-	Organization of Seminar on Indo-US relations
3.	Manohar Parrikar Institute for Defence Studies and Analyses (MPIDSA)	33,68,666/-	Research and Publications
4.	Ananta Aspen Centre	7,38,383/-	Organizing the India-EU Track 1.5 Dialogue
5.	India Global Forum (IGF)	35,00,000/- (AED-1,64,150/-)	Organizing India Global Forum in Dubai – UAE Edition

6.	North East Development Finance Corporation Limited (NEDFi)	44,25,000/-	Study on connectivity between Indian North East States and Neighboring Countries
7.	Association of Indian Diplomats (AID)	53,961/-	Talks, Lectures, Seminars
8.	Asian Confluence	19,35,000/-	NADI Dialogue, Guwahati, 2022
9.	Ananta Aspen Centre	8,99,741/-	India-Korea Track 1.5 dialogue
10.	Ananta Aspen Centre	22,55,000/-	India-USA Forum Track 1.5 dialogue
11.	Gateway House	6,69,100/-	India-France Track 1.5 dialogue
12.	CUTS Institute for Regulation and Competition	1,27,152/-	Organizing a seminar
13.	Carnegie India	58,11,032/-	Organization of the 6 th Global Technology Summit
14.	Observer Research Foundation	98,92,195/-	Organization of 7th Raisina Dialogue
15.	MEA Chair of Excellence at USI	10,00,000/-	Research

- **Budget Head : Support to Institutes of Chinese Studies**

S. No.	Institute	Amount (INR)	Purpose
1.	Chennai Centre for Chinese Studies (CCCS)	12,50,000/-	Various research activities for understanding China and India-China Relations
2.	Centre for China Analysis and Strategy (CCAS)	20,02,000/-	Research Project

- **Grants to Autonomous Bodies**

S.No.	Autonomous Bodies	Amount (INR)	Purpose
1.	Indian Council for World Affairs	9,94,90,000 (till date)	Activities of ICWA
2.	Research and Information System	14,59,00,000	Activities of RIS
