

Government of India
Ministry of Finance
Department of Economic Affairs
LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1674
ANSWERED ON – 02.03.2020

REQUEST FROM DEFENCE DEPARTMENT

1674. SHRI HIBI EDEN:

Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Ministry has declined the repeated request from the Defence Department regarding the fund allocation to procure food and clothes for jawans deployed at high altitude areas;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the details of reasons as to why the budget requirement demanded by the defence department goes denied by the Ministry;
- (d) whether the Ministry has any data of the budget demanded by the Defence Ministry and allocated amount during the last four years; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

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

(a) No, Sir. The budget allocations for 'Defence Services' catering to the three (3) Services viz. Army, Navy and Air Force are not provided item-wise and made, mainly, for revenue expenditure and capital expenditure, separately, for 'Defence Services'. For the revenue expenditure, the only bifurcation indicated in this Ministry is on 'salaries' and 'non-salaries'.

(b) & (c) Do not arise.

(d) & (e) The details of projected requirement of funds for 'Defence Services' and the amount provided through budget for the last four years are as follows:

(₹ crore)

Year	Demand projected	Amount provided through Budget
2015-16	2,87,386	2,46,727
2016-17	2,91,984	2,49,099
2017-18	3,23,217	2,62,390
2018-19	3,95,851	2,82,733

The budget allocations are made based on the resource position of the Government.