

**Government of India
Ministry of Finance
Department of Expenditure**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2646
TO BE ANSWERED ON MONDAY, 17th MARCH, 2025**

Functions of Chief Adviser (Cost) in Department of Expenditure

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Will the **MINISTER OF FINANCE** be pleased to state:

- (a) The details of functions of the Chief Adviser (Cost) in the Department of Expenditure; and
- (b) Whether the Chief Advisor (Cost) has reviewed and made recommendations in respect of the reinstatement of the minimum fixed cost provisions under the Modified NPS-III to the Department of Fertilizers?

**ANSWER
THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE
(SHRI PANKAJ CHAUDHARY)**

- (a) The O/o Chief Adviser (Cost) is an attached office of Department of Expenditure, Ministry of Finance. This office advises the Ministries/ Departments and its bodies on costing matters. The office is manned by the cadre of Indian Cost Accounts Service (ICoAS) consisting of professionally qualified Cost Accountants/ Chartered Accountants, recruited through UPSC.
- (b) No such recommendations have been made.
