

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

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.2562
ANSWERED ON 09.03.2026**

Reduction in Grants to Higher Education Institutions

2562. Shri Khalilur Rahaman:

Will the Minister of EDUCATION
be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that there has been a significant reduction in grants allocated to higher education institutions in the country;
- (b) if so, the reasons for such reduction in grants;
- (c) the rate and quantum of fund reduction along with the names of the twenty institutions in the country that have been most affected by such cuts; and
- (d) whether the Government has assessed the likely impact of such fund reductions on students, particularly with regard to possible increases in tuition fees and other institutional expenses and if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EDUCATION
(DR. SUKANTA MAJUMDAR)

(a): The budget allocation for Department of Higher Education has been increased to Rs.55727.22 Crore in B.E. 2026-27 against Rs.50077.95 Crore in B.E. 2025-26. There has been significant increase in grant-in-aid allocated to higher educational institutions. The allocation of funds in B.E. 2026-27 vis-à-vis B.E. 2025-26 for Central Universities has been increased by 4.58%, for IITs by 6.82%, for NITs by 10.07%, for IIMs by 15.92%, for Deemed to be Universities by 7.62% and for UGC by 11.18% respectively.

(b) to (d): Does not arise.
