

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF DEFENCE
DEFENCE RESEARCH & DEVELOPMENT ORGANISATION
LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3635
TO BE ANSWERED ON 13th March, 2026

FUNDING OF DRDO PROJECTS

3635 SHRI PRADYUT BORDOLOI:

Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of the funds sanctioned, released, and utilised for DRDO projects since 2014-15, year-wise and project-wise;
- (b) the details of the projects for which there are pending funds to be released since 2014-15, year-wise and project-wise;
- (c) whether any projects were stopped or cancelled due to lack of funds since 2014-15 and if so, the details thereof, project-wise;
- (d) whether any projects were delayed due to lack of funds since 2014-15 and if so, the details thereof, project-wise days of delay; and
- (e) whether any projects were delayed or cancelled for other reasons since 2014-15 and if so, the details thereof, project-wise?

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MINISTER OF STATE
IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE

(SHRI SANJAY SETH)

(a) Details of total Budget Allocation for the Department of Defence Research and Development at different Budgetary stages and the actual expenditure as per the CGDA compilation w.e.f FY 2014-15 is as under:

(Rs in Cr)

Year	Budget Estimate (BE) Approved	Revised Estimate (RE) Approved	Modified Appropriation (MA) Approved	Actuals
2014-15	15282.92	13447.19	13716.14	13257.98
2015-16	14358.49	12391.21	13540.11	13317.12
2016-17	13593.78	13454.54	13501.00	13365.76
2017-18	14818.74	15463.25	15399.25	15203.04
2018-19	17861.19	17610.38	17121.99	17049.01
2019-20	19021.02	17730.78	17730.78	17375.13
2020-21	19327.35	16466.29	16145.74	15706.96
2021-22	20457.44	18337.44	18720.44	18290.99
2022-23	21330.20	21130.20	21130.20	20585.76
2023-24	23263.89	23691.74	23195.89	22927.50
2024-25	23855.61	24696.94	24938.70	24793.43
2025-26	26816.82	26746.82	-	-

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However, out of the 'Actuals' above, the allocation/ expenditure by DRDO for various Projects/ Programmes w.e.f 2014-15 onwards is as under:

(Rs in cr)

Year	Allocation
2014-15	3769.79
2015-16	4238.04
2016-17	3959.77
2017-18	4684.99
2018-19	4999.19
2019-20	4070.13
2020-21	3244.03
2021-22	4477.56
2022-23	5725.13
2023-24	5829.41
2024-25	5431.89
2025-26	5925.00

(b) Nil.

(c) No project has been stopped or cancelled due to lack of funds.

(d) No project has been delayed due to lack of funds.

(e) Five projects have been cancelled since 2014-15. Details are as follows: -

S No.	Project Title	Date of Sanction	PDC	Cost (Rs. in Cr.)
1.	Terrain Visualization and Simulation Facility	11.07.2014	11.07.2016	9.90
2.	Pulsed Fiber Laser Sources	28.10.2015	27.04.2020	26.00
3.	Active Antenna Array Measurement Center	22.03.2018	21.03.2021	114.67
4.	Design & Development of Auto Gear System for T90 MBT	09.04.2021	08.04.2023	6.00
5.	Time Sensitive Network (TSN) Switch & Endpoint for LCA Mk-2 and AMCA	16.01.2023	15.01.2026	73.38
