

STATEMENT 2B

STATEMENT OF MAJOR VARIATIONS OF EXPENDITURE BETWEEN RE 2019-20 AND BE 2020-21

Budget Estimates of Expenditure for 2020-21 show an increase of ₹3,43,678 crore over the Revised Estimates 2019-20. The major items of expenditure where variations have occurred are indicated below:

<i>(in ₹ crores)</i>			
	Revised 2019-20	Budget 2020-21	Variation Saving(-)/ Excess(+)
1 Interest Payments	625105	708203	(+ 83098)
2 Grants in aid to State Governments	446958	514788	(+ 67830)
3 Capital Expenditure excluding Defence & Communications	233807	272452	(+ 38645)
4 Agriculture & Allied Activities	234616	264994	(+ 30378)
5 Pensions	184147	210682	(+ 26535)
6 Communications	20649	65514	(+ 44865)
7 Defence	316296	323053	(+ 6757)
8 Relief on account of Natural Calamities	18301	23197	(+ 4896)
9 Census, Surveys & Statistics	3007	6659	(+ 3652)
10 Police	90625	93597	(+ 2972)
11 Medical & Public Health	25587	29774	(+ 4187)
12 Rural Employment	71002	61500	(-) 9502
13 Other Expenditure	428452	467817	(+ 39365)
Total Expenditure	2698552	3042230	(+)343678

Increase is due to

- 1 higher requirement mainly on account of interest on Market Loans and interest on securities issued to Public Sector Banks.
- 2 higher provision made for post devolution revenue deficit grant, grants for State Disaster Response Fund, grants for local bodies, special assistance, assistance to States from National Disaster Response Fund and releases of compensation to States for revenue losses on roll out of GST.
- 3 higher provisions made under Road Transport, Railways & for infrastructure projects in pipeline.
- 4 higher requirement under Pradhan Mantri Kisan Samman Nidhi (PM-Kisan) and food subsidy.
- 5 higher requirement for payment of retirement benefits and pensions to Civil and Defence retirees.
- 6 capital infusion in BSNL/MTNL for 4G spectrum, implementation of VRS and payment of ex-gratia for employees of BSNL/MTNL.
- 7 large requirements under capital acquisition/procurement and for payment of salaries and other functional requirements of Defence Services.
- 8 provision of assistance to States for immediate relief in the wake of severe natural calamities.
- 9 higher requirements for Census, Survey and Statistics/Registrar General of India
- 10 increased requirement for internal security.
- 11 increased expenditure under public health.

Decrease is due to

- 12 lower requirement under Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee programme.