

Statement 2A

STATEMENT OF MAJOR VARIATIONS OF EXPENDITURE BETWEEN BE 2024-25 AND RE 2024-25

Revised Estimates of Expenditure for 2024-2025 show a decrease of ₹1,04,025 crore over the Budget Estimates 2024-2025. The major items of expenditure where variations have occurred are indicated below:

| (in ₹ crores) | | | | | |
|--------------------------|---|---------------------|----------------------|--|---------------|
| | | Budget 2024-2025 | Revised 2024-2025 | Variation Decrease (-) /Increase (+) | |
| 1 | Pensions and other Retirement Benefits | 243296 | 275103 | (+) | 31807 |
| 2 | Other General Economic Services | 11149 | 32630 | (+) | 21481 |
| 3 | Other Communication Services (revenue) | 7890 | 28242 | (+) | 20352 |
| 4 | Roads and Bridges | 4130 | 22355 | (+) | 18225 |
| 5 | Crop Husbandry | 120776 | 138981 | (+) | 18205 |
| 6 | Defence Services | 282773 | 297222 | (+) | 14449 |
| 7 | Police | 127789 | 136306 | (+) | 8517 |
| 8 | Capital Outlay on Other General Economic Services | 63318 | 9815 | (-) | 53503 |
| 9 | Grants-in-aid to State Governments | 578862 | 532040 | (-) | 46822 |
| 10 | Water Supply and Sanitation | 64303 | 21260 | (-) | 43043 |
| 11 | Interest Payment and Servicing of Debt | 1162940 | 1137940 | (-) | 25000 |
| 12 | Other Expenditure | 2153286 | 2084593 | (-) | 68693 |
| Total Expenditure | | 4820512 | 4716487 | (-) | 104025 |

Due to

- increased requirement for pension and other retirement benefits to retirees from Armed Forces and Central Government Employees. It also includes transfer to reserve fund viz., Unified Pension Scheme.
- enhanced provision for redemption of Sovereign Gold Bonds.
- higher provisions for 'Universal Service Obligation (USO) Fund' towards compensation to Telecom Service Providers for creation and augmentation of telecom infrastructure and payment on account of implementation of VRS to BSNL/MTNL employees.
- higher provision for Agriculture Infrastructure and Development Fund towards development of rural infrastructure.
- more provision for Nutrient Based Subsidy, PM-Kisan, Pradhan Mantri Fasal Bima Yojana including transfer to Reserve Fund.
- increased requirement of revenue expenditure of Armed Forces.
- increased requirement for administrative expenditure of the Central Armed Police Forces.
- less requirement under capital expenditure.
- lower requirement for grants-in-aid provision to State Governments based on need.
- less requirement of expenditure under Jal Jeevan Mission (JJM)
- decrease in requirement for payment of interest on market loans, T-Bills, cash management bills, compensation and other bonds.