## FM seeks approval for additional spending

inance minister Nirmala Sitharaman on Monday sought Parliament's approval for additional spending during the current financial year, which will include additional cash outgo of Rs 78,673 crore. including Rs 10,798 crore expenditure on MGNREGA. The second batch of supplementary demands for grants for 2023-24 tabled by Sitharaman also provides for additional spending of Rs 9,231 crore and Rs 3,000 crore towards food and fertiliser subsidy. TNN