

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS
LOK SABHA**

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CONVERSION OF KEROSENE SUBSIDY INTO DIRECT CASH SYSTEM .
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Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Union Government is considering to convert the kerosene subsidy being given to the families living below the poverty line (BPL) into direct cash;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government is considering to implement this scheme in rural areas in first phase and then in urban areas; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM & NATURAL GAS (SHRI JITIN PRASADA)

(a) to (d): As per Vision – 2015 of Ministry of Petroleum and Natural Gas, it has been proposed to study the possibility of direct cash transfer of subsidy on kerosene to beneficiaries account in rural areas, and if found feasible, it will be expanded to other areas.