

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

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SETTING UP OF KEROSENE DEPOTS
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Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

- (a) Whether a final decision has been taken on the proposal for setting up of kerosene depots at block level in the States; and
- (b) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

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

(a) & (b): A pilot project under the name of Jan Kerosene Pariyojana (JKP) was launched by the Government of India from 2nd October 2005 for strengthening the Public Distribution System (PDS) for kerosene.

One of the salient features of the scheme was that the Public Sector Oil Companies (OMCs) will establish at least one kerosene dealership in each of the country's development blocks. The scheme has been discontinued in December, 2009 in view of several references received from the State Governments to discontinue the scheme.

OMCs have reported that at present there is no proposal for setting up of new kerosene dealership at every block level is under consideration with them.