

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
FINANCE  
LOK SABHA**

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AMOUNT SPENT ON SUBSIDIES

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**Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:**

(a) the details of amount spent on various subsidies by the Union Government during each of the last three years, head-wise, sector-wise;

(b) whether the Government has examined the report 'Central Government Subsidies in India' with a view to reviewing the impact and need for different subsidies;

(c) if so, the details thereof and the reaction of the Government thereon; and

(d) the amount of money likely to be spent in the current and next financial year on various subsidies, sector-wise?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI NAMO NARAIN MEENA)

(a) to (d) The Report titled 'Central Government Subsidies in India (December, 2004)' had suggested rationalization of subsidies on food, fertilizer and petroleum products. The Government had considered the issue with the stakeholders. The information on the amount spent on various subsidies by the Central Government in the last three years is given below, together with the provision made in Budget 2009-10.

(Rs. crore)

2006-07 2007-08 2008-09 2009-10  
(RE) (BE)

A Major Subsidies      53495 67498 122728 106004

1 Food subsidy      24014 31328 43627 52490

2 Indigenous (Urea) fertilisers      12650 12950 16517 9780

3 Imported (Urea) fertilisers      3274 6606 10981 5948

4 Sale of decontrolled fertilizers with concession to farmers      10298 12934 48351 34252

5 Petroleum subsidy      2699 2820 2877 3109

6 Grants to NAFED for MIS/PPS 560 860 375 425

B Others Subsidies 3630 3428 6515 5272

7 Import/export of Sugar 540 200  
Edible Oils etc.

8 Interest subsidies 2809 2311 4063 2601

9 Others Subsidies 821 1117 1912 2471

Total-Subsidies (A+B) 57125 70926 129243 111276

Source: Expenditure Budget Volume 1, Union Budget 2009-10.