

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

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:916
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SUBSIDY TO BPL FAMILIES
Mandal Dr. Tarun

Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Union Government has any proposal to provide subsidy to BPL families directly in respect of purchase of diesel, kerosene and LPG; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM & NATURAL GAS (SHRI R.P.N. SINGH)

(a): Yes, Madam. Government is considering a proposal for direct transfer of subsidies on PDS Kerosene and domestic LPG on a pilot basis to the intended beneficiaries including BPL families.

(b) : Government has constituted a Task Force in February, 2011 under the Chairmanship of Shri Nandan Nilekani, Chairman, Unique Identification Authority of India (UIDAI) to recommend and implement a solution for direct transfer of subsidies on PDS Kerosene and domestic LPG to the intended beneficiaries. The Task Force has submitted its Interim Report to the Government on 05.07.2011. The final report is yet to be received.