GOVERNMENT OF INDIA FINANCE LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3780 ANSWERED ON:27.04.2012 CASH TRANSFER OF SUBSIDIES Yadav Shri Om Prakash

Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Union Government is considering direct cash transfer of subsidies/ benefits under the schemes being implemented to the beneficiaries;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the likely benefits of such a system?

Answer

Minister of State in Ministry of Finance (SHRI NAMO NARAIN MEENA)

- (a) & (b) The Government set up, in February 2011, a task force headed by Shri Nandan Nilekani to work out the modalities for proposed system of direct transfer of subsidy for kerosene, LPG and fertilisers. The task force has already given its interim report, which has been accepted by the Government.
- (c) It is expected that the new system shall lead to greater efficiency, cost effectiveness and better delivery of subsidy to the target beneficiaries.