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Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of GDP growth registered during each of the last three years and the current year;
- (b) the amount of subsidy outgo during the same period along with the sector- wise break-up thereof, year-wise; and
- (c) the steps taken/being taken by the government to give relief to the common man?

Answer

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

(a) The growth rate in Gross Domestic Product (GDP) at factor cost at constant (2004-05) prices, for the period 2009-10 to 2012-13 is given in the Table 1 below.

Table 1: Gross Domestic Product at constant (2004-05) prices (percentage growth)

	2009-10	2010-11@	2011-12#	2012-13AE
Gross Domestic Product at factor cost	8.6	9.3	6.2	5.0
Source: Central Statistics Office (CSO).				

AE: Advance Estimates, #: First Revised Estimates, @: Second Revised Estimates Third Revised Estimates.

(b) The amount of Central Government subsidies along with the sector-wise break- up is given in Table 2 below.

Table 2: Central Government Subsidies (Rs.crore)

	2009-10	2010-11	2011-12	2012-13 (RE)
Food Subsidy	58443	63844	72822	85000
Fertiliser subsidy	61264	62301	70013	65974
Petroleum subsidy	14951	38371	68484	96880
Other subsidies	6693	8904	6622	9800
Total subsidies	141351#	173420	217941	257654

Excludes securities issued to oil companies. RE: Revised Estimates.

(c) Several steps have been undertaken for the recovery of growth including the setting up of the Cabinet Committee on Investment (CCI) to fast track large investment projects; strengthening of financial and banking sector; disinvestment in certain Public Sector Undertakings; permitting FDI in areas including multi- brand retail, power exchanges and aviation; fiscal consolidation, etc. The Union Budget 2013-14 has outlined several initiatives to boost investment in infrastructure and industry, that inter alia include encouraging Infrastructure Debt Funds, credit enhancement to infrastructure companies, raising the corpus of Rural Infrastructure Development Fund, introduction of investment allowance for new high value investments, etc. These measures would help revive market confidence. In addition, measures including reduction in import duties and suspension of futures trading in certain commodities, tightening of monetary policy, etc. have been undertaken to control inflation.