

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

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SUBSIDY ON KEROSENE

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

- (a) the amount of subsidy provided on kerosene during each of the last three years;
- (b) whether the Government has made any assessment about the amount of subsidy during the current financial year;
- (c) if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) the amount of subsidy provided on kerosene during the first quarter of the current year ?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI DINSHA PATEL)

(a): The amount of subsidy paid to PSU Oil Marketing Companies (OMCs) on PDS Kerosene during the last 3 years is as under :-

Year	Amount
	(Rs.in crore)

2003-04	Rs.2657
2004-05	Rs.1147
2005-06	Rs.1057

(b)&(c): The amount of subsidy on PDS Kerosene and Domestic LPG as per the Budget Estimates approved by the Government for the financial year 2006-07 is Rs.2,900 crore. It is estimated that the subsidy outgo during 2006-07 for PDS Kerosene would be around Rs.1,100 crore out of the total subsidy estimate of Rs.2,900 crore.

(d): Based on data received from the OMCs, the subsidy on PDS Kerosene during the first quarter of the current year (Apr'06 to June'06) is estimated at Rs.241 crore.