# GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD & PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION DEPARTMENT OF FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION

## RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.1834 TO BE ANSWERED ON 4<sup>TH</sup> AUGUST, 2023

### DISTRIBUTION OF KEROSENE UNDER PDS

#### 1834 DR. SANTANU SEN:

Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government has received any complaints from any individual, group, or organization regarding any difficulty or issue faced while obtaining kerosene under Public Distribution System (PDS) or non-PDS categories;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the number of such complaints or grievances received, resolved, and pending as on date;
- (c) whether Government has set up any mechanism or helpline to address such complaints or grievances in a timely and effective manner and any action taken against any official or authority for causing any inconvenience or harassment; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

## A N S W E R MINISTER OF STATE FOR MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT AND CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD & PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (SADHVI NIRANJAN JYOTI)

(a) to (d): The Ministry of Petroleum and Natural Gas has informed that Government of India makes allocation of Public Distribution System (PDS) Kerosene on quarterly basis to States/UTs. Further distribution of PDS Kerosene within the States/UTs under PDS network is the responsibility of the State/UT concerned and complaints, if any, regarding obtaining PDS SKO are dealt by respective State Governments/UT Administrations. Scale and criteria of distribution are also decided by respective State/UT.

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