LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 4033 TO BE ANSWERED ON 27TH MARCH, 2017

COST OF PETROLEUM PRODUCTS

4033. SHRI RADHESHYAM BISWAS:

पेट्रोलियम और प्राकृतिक गैस मंत्री

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

- (a) whether the cost of petroleum products in the country is higher in comparison with neighbouring countries and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether the Government has any proposal to give cash subsidy on diesel to farmers, if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) if not, the steps being taken by the Government to provide diesel at lower cost to the farmers?

ANSWER पेट्रोलियम और प्राकृतिक गैस मंत्री (स्वतंत्र प्रभार) (श्री धर्मेन्द्र प्रधान)

MINISTER OF STATE (I/C) IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI DHARMENDRA PRADHAN)

(a): The prices of sensitive petroleum products in India and its neighbouring countries are given below:

(Prices in INR)

Country	Petrol (Rs./Ltr.)	Diesel (Rs./Ltr.)	PDS Kerosene (Rs./Ltr.)	Domestic LPG (Rs./14.2 kg Cyl.)
India	71.14^	59.02^	18.77#	434.93*
Pakistan	45.26	52.64	28.24	1139.42
Bangladesh	72.56	54.85	54.85	670.97
Sri Lanka	51.69	41.97	19.44	662.97
Nepal	64.23	49.04	49.04	854.31

Source: Petroleum Planning and Analysis Cell

^at Delhi effective 16.01.2017. #at Mumbai effective 01.02.2017. *Effective cost after DBTL subsidy effective 01.03.2017 at Delhi.

Note – Prices for neighbouring countries as on 01.03.2017.

(b) & (c): The price of Diesel has been made market determined by the Government effective 19th October, 2014. Since then, the Public Sector Oil Marketing Companies (OMCs) take appropriate decision on pricing of Diesel in line with its international price and other market conditions.