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

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.1976 TO BE ANSWERED ON 3rd MARCH, 2020

SUBSIDY ON KEROSENE

1976. SHRI NATARAJAN P.R.:

Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION उपभोक्ता मामले, खाद्य और सार्वजनिक वितरण मंत्री be pleased to state:

- (a) whether there is any proposal with the Government to stop providing subsidy on kerosene which is being supplied through PDS shops across the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether there is any proposal with the Government to franchise the PDS shops to the private agencies; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

A N S W E R MINISTER OF STATE FOR MINISTRY OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD & PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (SHRI DANVE RAOSAHEB DADARAO)

- (a) & (b): The prices of petroleum products are linked to the price of respective products in the international market. However, the Government continues to modulate the retail selling price of PDS kerosene and the consumers get the product at subsidized rate.
- (c) to (d): There is no such proposal under consideration in the Department at present.
