

- (a) the details of the schemes and subsidy outgo channelized under the Direct Benefit Transfer(DBT) regime in the country, scheme and State/UT-wise;
- (b) the extent to which leakages have been plugged and subsidy fine-tuned under these schemes in the aftermath of DBT;
- (c) whether the Government has assessed the achievements and benefits accrued under these schemes, if so, the details thereof;
- (d) whether the Government proposes to cover all the schemes of the Union Government under DBT; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof along with the steps taken/being taken by the Government in this regard?

ANSWER

**Minister of Finance
(Shri Arun Jaitley)**

(a) to (e) : A statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) to (e) OF LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. *181 REGARDING “DIRECT BENEFIT TRANSFER ” RAISED BY PROF. RICHARD HAY, MP, LOK SABHA FOR ANSWER ON 06.05.2016

(a) Government vide O.M. No. I-11011/58/2013-DBT dated 13.2.2015 and 19.2.2015 expanded the scope of DBT to cover all Central Sector Schemes/Centrally Sponsored Schemes in which cash benefits are transferred to individual beneficiaries. As on 31.3.2016, 59 Central schemes are reported on DBT by 14

Ministries/ Departments. During 2015-16, Rs. 61,824.32 crore has been disbursed to 30.78 crore beneficiaries in these 59 schemes. Details of the scheme are enclosed (**Annexure A**).

PAHAL (DBTL) scheme was launched in 54 districts of the country on 15.11.2014. Subsequently, the scheme was extended to all districts of the country on 01.01.2015. Under the Scheme, the LPG cylinders are being sold at non subsidized prices and subsidy, as admissible, is being transferred to consumers directly into his/her bank account.

In addition to the above, Cash Transfer of Food Subsidy scheme under the National Food Security Act, 2013, provide for food subsidy in cash into the bank account of entitled households to enable them to purchase food grains from open market. The scheme can be taken up in the identified areas for which there is a written consent of the State Govt./UT Administration. At present the scheme has been implemented on pilot basis in three UTs viz., Chandigarh and Puducherry w.e.f. 01.9.2015 and partially in Dadra & Nagar Haveli from 01.3.2016.

(b) & (c) As on 1st April, 2015, 3.34 crore, duplicate/fake/inactive consumers were blocked under PAHAL scheme and related initiatives.

As per Rule No. 8 (1) of the Cash Transfer of Food Subsidy Rules, 2015 – “Concurrent Evaluation – State Government shall get the effectiveness of the Scheme, in ensuring food security of the targeted beneficiaries, evaluated concurrently and submit the first report to the Central Government at the end of six months of implementation of the Scheme.” The UTs of Chandigarh and Puducherry have been requested to furnish the report of first concurrent evaluation.

(d) & (e) Only programmes where cash benefits are paid are suitable for DBT.

Ministries/Departments have been requested to establish internal DBT Cell to take advantage of ICT technology to improve Government to people interface.

Ministry/Departments have developed IT applications to improve efficiency, transparency and accountability of these schemes.

ANNEXURE A

List of Schemes(from April 2015 to March 2016)			
Sl. No	Name of the Department	Name of the Scheme	Total fund Transferred during April 2015 to March 2016(Rs. in Crores)
1	M/o Rural Development	MGNREGS	25,861.77
2		NSAP (IGNOAPS, IGNWPS & IGNDPS)	8,364.66
3	M/o Petroleum & Natural Gas	PAHAL (DBTL)	21,421.00
4	M/o Women and Child Development	Indira Gandhi Matritva Sahyog Yojana (IGMSY)	-
5	D/o School Education & Literacy	National Scheme For Incentive For The Girl Child For Secondary Education	35.90
6		National Means Cum Merit Scholarship	58.37
7	D/o Higher Education	Fellowship Schemes of AICTE	704.22
8		Fellowship Schemes of UGC	194.40
9		Kothari PDF in Sciences	59.58
10		NETJRF	407.56
11		EMERITUS	21.62
12		Post Doctoral – Fellowship for Women	41.99
13		BSR Doctoral Fellowship in Sciences	63.10
14		Scholarship To Universities /College Students	388.71
15		Pre Matric Scholarship Scheme For Minorities	529.02
16		M/o Minority Affairs	Post Matric Scholarship Scheme For Minorities
17	Merit Cum Means Scholarship For Minorities		159.34
18	Maulana Azad National Fellowship.		234.63
19	M/o Labour and Employment	Stipend to children in the special schools under the NCLP	3.47
20		Scholarship To The Children of Beedi Workers	37.68
21		Housing Subsidy To Beedi Workers	7.61
22		Stipend To Trainees Under The Scheme Of Welfare Of SC/ST	0.95

		Job Seekers	
23		Stipend To Trainees for Skill Development in 34 Districts affected By Left Wing Extremism (LWE)#	-
24		Scholarship To The Children of Cine Workers	-
25		Scholarship To The Children of Iron/Manganese/Chrome Ore Workers	0.58
26		Scholarship To The Children of Lime Stone and Dolomite (LSDM) Workers	0.14
27		Housing Subsidy To Iron/Manganese/Chrome Ore Workers	-
28		Housing Subsidy To Lime Stone and Dolomite (LSDM) Workers	0.13
29	M/o Tribal Affairs	Post Matric Scholarship For ST	822.15
30		Top Class Education Scheme	9.18
31		Rajiv Gandhi National Fellowship for ST	124.23
32	M/o Social Justice & Empowerment	Post Matric Scholarship for SC Student	0.03
33		Upgradation of Merit of SC Students.	-
34		Pre Matric Scholarship for Children of Those Engaged Unclean Occupations	-
35		Pre Matric Scholarship for SC	17.38
36		Top Class Education Scheme For SC	0.88
37		Post Matric Scholarship for OBC	-
38		RGNF-SC	573.08
39	D/o Empowerment of persons with Disability	Rajiv Gandhi National Fellowship for students with disabilities	73.83
40	M/o Health & Family Welfare	Janani Suraksha Yojana (JSY)	647.92
41	LIC	AABY -CLAIMS	306.38
42		PMJDY	5.58
43		AABY -SCHOLARSHIPS	196.47
44	M/O Culture	Tagore Cultural complexes	8.40
45		Salary Grant	11.67
46		Production Grant	9.13

47		Scheme for Building Grant and Studio Theatre	-
48		Artistes Pension Scheme and Welfare Fund	0.70
49		Financial Assistance to Cultural Organization with National presence	0.50
50		Financial Assistance for the Cultural Function Grant Scheme(CFGS)	8.43
51		Scheme for the Award of Fellowship to outstanding persons in the field of Culture	0.62
52		Scheme for Scholarships to Young Artistes in different cultural fields	0.60
53		Tagore National Fellowship for Cultural Research	0.17
54		Financial Assistance for the development of Buddhist / Tibetan Organizations	1.29
55		Finacial assistance for the preservation and development of Himalayan Cultural Heritage for Himalayas	0.22
56		International Cultural Relation	-
57	M/o Defence-Kendriya Sainik Board	Prime Minister Scholarship Scheme	10.14
58		RMDF Scheme (funded from AFFD fund)	44.65
59	Dept.of Science & Technology	Scholarship Scheme INSPIRE	142.88
		Grand Total	61,824.30
Grand Total (All figures are in Cr)			61,824.30