

LIST OF COUNCIL OF MINISTERS (AS ON THE 23RD AUGUST, 2000)

CABINET MINISTERS

1. Shri Atal Bihari Vajpayee Prime Minister and also in charge of the Ministries/ Departments not specifically allocated to the charge of any Minister viz :
(1) Personnel, Public Grievances and Pensions.
(2) Planning.
(3) Statistics and Programme Implementation.
(4) Atomic Energy.
(5) Space.
(6) Power.
2. Shri L.K. Advani Minister of Home Affairs.
3. Shri Ananth Kumar Minister of Tourism and Culture.
4. Shri T.R. Baalu Minister of Environment and Forests.
5. Ms. Mamata Banerjee Minister of Railways.
6. Shri Sukhdev Singh Dhindsa Minister of Youth Affairs and Sports and Minister of Mines.
7. Shri George Fernandes Minister of Defence.
8. Shri Jagmohan Minister of Urban Development and Poverty Alleviation.
9. Dr. Satya Narayan Jatiya Minister of Labour.
10. Shri Manohar Joshi Minister of Heavy Industries and Public Enterprises.
11. Dr. Murli Manohar Joshi Minister of Human Resource Development, Minister of Science and Technology and Minister of Ocean Development.
12. Shri Pramod Mahajan Minister of Parliamentary Affairs and Minister of Information Technology.
13. Shri Murali Maran Minister of Commerce and Industry.
14. Shri Ram Naik Minister of Petroleum & Natural Gas.
15. Shri Nitish Kumar Minister of Agriculture.
16. Shri Jual Oram Minister of Tribal Affairs.
17. Shri Ram Vilas Paswan Minister of Communications.

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| 18. | Shri Arjun Sethi | Minister of Water Resources. |
| 19. | Shri Sunder Lal Patwa | Minister of Rural Development. |
| 20. | Shri Suresh Prabhu | Minister of Chemicals and Fertilizers. |
| 21. | Shri Kashiram Rana | Minister of Textiles. |
| 22. | Shri Shanta Kumar | Minister of Consumer Affairs, Food and Public Distribution. |
| 23. | Shri Jaswant Singh | Minister of External Affairs. |
| 24. | Shri Rajnath Singh | Minister of Surface Transport. |
| 25. | Shri Yashwant Sinha | Minister of Finance. |
| 26. | Dr. C.P. Thakur | Minister of Health and Family Welfare. |
| 27. | Shri Sharad Yadav | Minister of Civil Aviation. |

MINISTERS OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE)

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| 1. | Ms. Maneka Gandhi | Minister of State (Independent charge) of the Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment. |
| 2. | Shri Arun Jaitley | Minister of State (Independent charge) of the Ministry of Information and Broadcasting and Minister of State (Independent charge) of the Ministry of Law, Justice and Company Affairs. |
| 3. | Shri M. Kannappan | Minister of State (Independent charge) of the Ministry of Non-conventional Energy Sources. |
| 4. | Smt. Vasundhara Raje | Minister of State (Independent charge) of the Ministry of Small Scale Industries and Agro. and Rural Industries. Minister of State in the Department Personnel and Training, Department of Pensions and Pensioners Welfare of the Ministry of Personnel, Public Grievances and Pensions, Department of Atomic Energy and Department of Space. |
| 5. | Shri N.T. Shanmugam | Minister of State (Independent charge) of the Ministry of Coal. |

6. Shri Arun Shourie Minister of State (Independent charge) of the Department of Disinvestment, Minister of State in the Ministry of Statistics and Programme Implementation and Minister of State in the Department of Administrative Reforms and Public Grievances of the Ministry of Personnel, Public Grievances and Pensions.
7. Shri Braj Kishore Tripathy Minister of State (Independent Charge) of the Ministry of Steel.

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1. Shri Ramesh Bais Minister of State in the Ministry of Chemicals and Fertilizers.
2. Ms. Bijoya Chakravarty Minister of State in the Ministry of Water Resources.
3. Shri Shriram Chauhan Minister of State in the Ministry of Consumer Affairs, Food and Public Distribution.
4. Shri Bandaru Dattatraya Minister of State in the Ministry of Urban Development and Poverty Alleviation.
5. Shri Santosh Gangwar Minister of State in the Ministry of Petroleum and Natural Gas and Minister of State in the Ministry of Parliamentary Affairs.
6. Shri Jaysingrao Gaikwad-Patil Minister of State in the Ministry of Mines.
7. Prof. Chaman Lal Gupta Minister of State in the Ministry of Civil Aviation.
8. Shri Syed Shahnawaz Hussain Minister of State in the Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports.
9. Dr. Vallabh Bhai Ramjibhai Kathiria Minister of State in the Ministry of Heavy Industries and Public Enterprises.
10. Shri Paggan Singh Kulaste Minister of State in the Ministry of Tribal Affairs.
11. Shri V. Dhananjay Kumar Minister of State in the Ministry of Finance.
12. Shri Bangeru Laxman Minister of State in the Ministry of Railways.

13. Ms. Sumitra Mahajan Minister of State in the Ministry of Human Resource Development.
14. Shri Subhash Maharia Minister of State in the Ministry of Rural Development.
15. Shri Babu Lal Marandi Minister of State in the Ministry of Environment and Forests.
16. Ms. Jayawanti Mehta Minister of State in the Ministry of Power.
17. Shri Muni Lall Minister of State in the Ministry of Labour.
18. Shri Omar Abdullah Minister of State in the Ministry of Commerce and Industry.
19. Shri Ajit Kumar Panja Minister of State in the Ministry of External Affairs.
20. Shri Harin Pathak Minister of State in the Ministry of Defence.
21. Dr. Debendra Pradhan Minister of State in the Ministry of Agriculture.
22. Shri E. Ponnuswamy Minister of State in the Ministry of Petroleum and Natural Gas.
23. Shri A. Raja Minister of State in the Ministry of Rural Development.
24. Shri O. Rajagopal Minister of State in the Ministry of Parliamentary Affairs.
25. Dr. Raman Minister of State in the Ministry of Commerce and Industry.
26. Shri Gingee N. Ramachandran Minister of State in the Ministry of Textiles.
27. Shri Chennamaneni Vidya Sagar Rao Minister of State in the Ministry of Home Affairs.
28. Shri S.B.P.B.K. Satyanarayana Rao Minister of State in the Ministry of Agriculture.
29. Shri Bachi Singh Rawat Minister of State in the Department of Science and Technology in the Ministry of Science and Technology.
30. Shri Tapan Sikdar Minister of State in the Ministry of Communications.
31. Shri Digvijay Singh Minister of State in the Ministry of Railways.

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| 32. | Shri Th. Chaoba Singh | Minister of State in the Department of Food Processing Industries in the Ministry of Agriculture. |
| 33. | Shri V. Sreenivasa Prasad | Minister of State in the Ministry of Consumer Affairs, Food and Public Distribution. |
| 34. | Shri I.D. Swami | Minister of State in the Ministry of Home Affairs. |
| 35. | Dr. (Smt.) Rita Verma | Minister of State in the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare. |
| 36. | Shri EV Alias Balasaheb Vikhe-Patil | Minister of State in the Ministry of Finance. |
| 37. | Shri Hukumdeo Narayan Yadav | Minister of State in the Ministry of Surface Transport. |

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