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**LIST OF COUNCIL OF MINISTERS**  
(as on 6<sup>th</sup> April, 2008)

**CABINET MINISTERS**

|    |                              |   |
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| 1  | Dr. Manmohan Singh           | Prime Minister and also in-charge of the Ministries/Departments not specifically allocated to the charge of any Minister viz.:<br><br>(i) Ministry of Personnel, Public Grievances & Pensions;<br>(ii) Ministry of Planning;<br>(iii) Department of Atomic Energy;<br>(iv) Department of Space,<br>(v) Ministry of Coal, and<br>(vi) Ministry of Environment and Forests. |
| 2  | Shri Pranab Mukherjee        | Minister of External Affairs.   |
| 3  | Shri Arjun Singh             | Minister of Human Resource Development.   |
| 4  | Shri Sharad Pawar            | Minister of Agriculture and Minister of Consumer Affairs, Food & Public Distribution.   |
| 5  | Shri Lalu Prasad             | Minister of Railways.   |
| 6  | Shri A.K. Antony             | Minister of Defence.  |
| 7  | Shri Shivraj V. Patil        | Minister of Home Affairs.   |
| 8  | Shri A.R. Antulay            | Minister of Minority Affairs.   |
| 9  | Shri Sushilkumar Shinde      | Minister of Power.  |
| 10 | Shri Ram Vilas Paswan        | Minister of Chemicals & Fertilizers and Minister of Steel.  |
| 11 | Shri S. Jaipal Reddy         | Minister of Urban Development.  |
| 12 | Shri Sis Ram Ola             | Minister of Mines.  |
| 13 | Shri P. Chidambaram          | Minister of Finance.  |
| 14 | Shri Mahavir Prasad          | Minister of Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises.  |
| 15 | Shri P.R. Kyndiah            | Minister of Tribal Affairs.   |
| 16 | Shri T.R. Baalu              | Minister of Shipping, Road Transport & Highways.  |
| 17 | Shri Shankersinh Vaghela     | Minister of Textiles.   |
| 18 | Shri Vayalar Ravi            | Minister of Overseas Indian Affairs and Minister of Parliamentary Affairs.  |
| 19 | Shri Kamal Nath              | Minister of Commerce & Industry.  |
| 20 | Shri H.R. Bhardwaj           | Minister of Law & Justice.  |
| 21 | Shri Sontosh Mohan Dev       | Minister of Heavy Industries & Public Enterprises.  |
| 22 | Prof. Saif-ud-din Soz        | Minister of Water Resources.  |
| 23 | Shri Raghuvansh Prasad Singh | Minister of Rural Development.  |
| 24 | Shri Priyaranjan Dasmunsi    | Minister of Information & Broadcasting.   |

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| 25 | Shri Mani Shankar Aiyar | Minister of Panchayati Raj and Minister of Development of North Eastern Region. |
| 26 | Smt. Meira Kumar        | Minister of Social Justice & Empowerment.                                       |
| 27 | Shri Murli Deora        | Minister of Petroleum & Natural Gas.  |
| 28 | Smt. Ambika Soni        | Minister of Tourism and Minister of Culture.                                    |
| 29 | Shri A. Raja            | Minister of Communications and Information Technology.                          |
| 30 | Dr. Anbumani Ramdoss    | Minister of Health & Family Welfare.  |
| 31 | Shri Kapil Sibal        | Minister of Science & Technology and Minister of Earth Sciences.                |
| 32 | Shri Prem Chand Gupta   | Minister of Corporate Affairs.  |

#### MINISTERS OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE)

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|---|------------------------|--|
| 1 | Shri Oscar Fernandes   | Minister of State (Independent Charge) of the Ministry of Labour & Employment.                   |
| 2 | Smt. Renuka Chowdhury  | Minister of State (Independent Charge) of the Ministry of Women & Child Development.             |
| 3 | Shri Subodh Kant Sahay | Minister of State (Independent Charge) of the Ministry of Food Processing Industries.            |
| 4 | Shri Vilas Muttemwar   | Minister of State (Independent Charge) of the Ministry of New and Renewable Energy.              |
| 5 | Kumari Selja           | Minister of State (Independent Charge) of the Ministry of Housing and Urban Poverty Alleviation. |
| 6 | Shri Praful Patel      | Minister of State (Independent Charge) of the Ministry of Civil Aviation.                        |
| 7 | Shri G.K. Vasan        | Minister of State (Independent Charge) of the Ministry of Statistics & Programme Implementation. |
| 8 | Dr. M.S. Gill          | Minister of State (Independent Charge) of the Ministry of Youth Affairs & Sports.                |

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| 1 | Shri E. Ahammed         | Minister of State in the Ministry of External Affairs.   |
| 2 | Shri B.K. Handique      | Minister of State in the Ministry of Chemicals & Fertilizers and Minister of State in the Ministry of Mines. |
| 3 | Smt. Panabaka Lakshmi   | Minister of State in the Ministry of Health & Family Welfare.  |
| 4 | Dr. Shakeel Ahmad       | Minister of State in the Ministry of Home Affairs.   |
| 5 | Shri Rao Inderjit Singh | Minister of State in the Ministry of Defence.  |

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| 6  | Shri Naranbhai Rathwa          | Minister of State in the Ministry of Railways.  |
| 7  | Shri K.H. Muniappa             | Minister of State in the Ministry of Shipping, Road Transport & Highways.   |
| 8  | Shri Kantilal Bhuria           | Minister of State in the Ministry of Agriculture and Minister of State in the Ministry of Consumer Affairs, Food & Public Distribution. |
| 9  | Shri Shripakash Jaiswal        | Minister of State in the Ministry of Home Affairs.  |
| 10 | Shri Prithviraj Chavan         | Minister of State in the Prime Minister's Office and Minister of State in the Ministry of Personnel, Public Grievances and Pensions.    |
| 11 | Shri Taslimuddin               | Minister of State in the Ministry of Agriculture and Minister of State in the Ministry of Consumer Affairs, Food & Public Distribution. |
| 12 | Smt. Suryakanta Patil          | Minister of State in the Ministry of Rural Development and Minister of State in the Ministry of Parliamentary Affairs.                  |
| 13 | Shri Md. Ali Ashraf Fatmi      | Minister of State in the Ministry of Human Resource Development.  |
| 14 | Shri R. Velu                   | Minister of State in the Ministry of Railways.  |
| 15 | Shri S.S. Palanimanickam       | Minister of State in the Ministry of Finance  |
| 16 | Shri S. Regupathy              | Minister of State in the Ministry of Environment and Forests.   |
| 17 | Shri K. Venkatapathy           | Minister of State in the Ministry of Law & Justice.   |
| 18 | Smt. Subbulakshmi Jagadeesan   | Minister of State in the Ministry of Social Justice & Empowerment.  |
| 19 | Shri E.V.K.S. Elangovan        | Minister of State in the Ministry of Textiles.  |
| 20 | Smt Kanti Singh                | Minister of State in the Ministry of Tourism and Minister of State in the Ministry of Culture.  |
| 21 | Shri Namo Narain Meena         | Minister of State in the Ministry of Environment & Forests.   |
| 22 | Shri Jay Prakash Narayan Yadav | Minister of State in the Ministry of Water Resources.   |
| 23 | Dr. Akhilesh Prasad Singh      | Minister of State in the Ministry of Agriculture and Minister of State in the Ministry of Consumer Affairs, Food & Public Distribution. |
| 24 | Shri Pawan Kumar Bansal        | Minister of State in the Ministry of Finance and Minister of State in the Ministry of Parliamentary Affairs.                            |
| 25 | Shri Anand Sharma              | Minister of State in the Ministry of External Affairs.  |
| 26 | Shri Ajay Maken                | Minister of State in the Ministry of Urban Development.   |
| 27 | Shri Dinsha J. Patel           | Minister of State in the Ministry of Petroleum & Natural Gas.   |
| 28 | Shri M.M. Pallam Raju          | Minister of State in the Ministry of Defence.   |

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| 29 | Shri Ashwani Kumar                  | Minister of State in the Department of Industrial Policy & Promotion, Ministry of Commerce & Industry.                           |
| 30 | Shri Jairam Ramesh                  | Minister of State in the Department of Commerce, Ministry of Commerce & Industry and Minister of State in the Ministry of Power, |
| 31 | Shri Chandra Sekhar Sahu            | Minister of State in the Ministry of Rural Development.  |
| 32 | Smt. D. Purandeswari                | Minister of State in the Ministry of Human Resource Development.   |
| 33 | Shri M.H. Ambareesh                 | Minister of State in the Ministry of Information & Broadcasting.   |
| 34 | Smt. V. Radhika Selvi               | Minister of State in the Ministry of Home Affairs.   |
| 35 | Shri V. Narayanasamy                | Minister of State in the Ministry of Parliamentary Affairs and Minister of State in the Ministry of Planning.                    |
| 36 | Shri Santosh Bagrodia               | Minister of State in the Ministry of Coal.   |
| 37 | Shri Raghunath Jha                  | Minister of State in the Ministry of Heavy Industries & Public Enterprises.  |
| 38 | Dr. Rameshwar Oraon                 | Minister of State in the Ministry of Tribal Affairs.   |
| 39 | Shri Jyotiraditya Madhavrao Scindia | Minister of State in the Ministry of Communications and Information Technology.  |
| 40 | Shri Jitin Prasada                  | Minister of State in the Ministry of Steel.  |

Note: Incorporates changes in the Council of Ministers as on 06.04.2008