## LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1909 TO BE ANSWERED ON 14<sup>th</sup> December 2023

#### Oil and Gas Import Bills

1909. SHRI SHANKAR LALWANI:

DR. BHARATIBEN DHIRUBHAI SHIYAL:

**SHRIMATI HIMADRI SINGH:** 

**SHRI PRATHAP SIMHA:** 

SHRI PRADEEP KUMAR SINGH:

SHRI JANARDAN MISHRA:

SHRI KUNWAR PUSHPENDRA SINGH CHANDEL:

### पेट्रोलियम और प्राकृतिक गैस मंत्री

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

- (a) whether it is a fact that India's Oil and Gas import bills have witnessed a notable decline in fiscal year 2024;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the efforts being made by the Government to sensitize oil supplying nations to the needs of oil consuming nations like India?

#### **ANSWER**

# पेट्रोलियम और प्राकृतिक गैस मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री रामेश्वर तेली ) MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI RAMESWAR TELI)

- (a) to (b) Yes Sir, Provisionally Import of Crude Oil and Liquefied Natural Gas during the current FY:2023-24 (April-October) is `6,86,377 crore which has shown a decline of 22.5% with respect to corresponding period of the last year (`8,85,327 crore).
- (c) Government of India has been actively engaged in energy diplomacy with oil supplying nations to safeguard the energy security of the country as well as raising voice for all oil consuming countries of Global South for responsible pricing and stabilizing the global oil market. India has consistently raised concerns about high oil prices through bilateral discussions and on various international platforms, including ministerial and senior officials' meetings. India has also actively participated in discussions with influential bodies like the International Energy Agency (IEA) and the International Energy Forum (IEF).

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