

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:4021
ANSWERED ON:14.12.2000
DEMURRAGE COST ON IMPORTED DIESEL
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Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of demurrage cost for the import of diesel paid during the last three years, year-wise;
- (b) whether over 20 ships are being held up and some of them for as many as 40 days because of lack of space to discharge diesel at the Kandla port;
- (c) if so, whether these vessels have been charging demurrage cost of \$14,000 to \$17,000 per day ; and
- (d) if so, the concrete steps worked out in this regard?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI SANTOSH KUMAR GANGWAR)

(a): The details of demurrage on diesel imports during the past three years were as under:

Year	Demurrage (Rs./Crore)
1997-98	434.29
1998-99	377.78
1999-2000	57.18

(b): No Sir. There have been no diesel imports during this year so far and there is no plan to import diesel during rest of the year.

(c) and (d): Does not arise in view of `B` above.