

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

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IMPORT AND EXPORT OF PETROLEUM PRODUCTS  
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**Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:**

- (a) the quantum of petroleum products exported during the 2001-2002;
- (b) the total foreign exchange earned by the export of these petroleum products during the same period;
- (c) the total import of crude oil made during this period and foreign exchange spent thereon;
- (d) the domestic crude oil production during this period; and
- (e) the steps being taken to improve the export of petroleum products and also to reduce the import of crude oil?

**Answer**

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

- (a): 10.06 million metric tonnes of petroleum products were exported during 2001-02.
- (b): 1,770 million US \$ ( Rs. 8,219 crore) was earned by export of these petroleum products.
- (c): 78.70 million metric tonnes of crude oil was imported and a foreign exchange of 12,635 million US \$ (Rs. 60,397 crore) was spent during 2001-02.
- (d): During 2001-02 the domestic crude oil production was about 32 million metric tonnes.
- (e): Steps have been taken to increase indigenous oil production, which includes the following:
  - (i) to improve the recovery factor from existing major fields by implementing Enhanced Oil Recovery (EOR)/Improved Oil Recovery (IOR) schemes.
  - (ii) to increase exploration efforts through the New Exploration Licensing Policy (NELP).
  - (iii) to explore in new areas, especially in deep water and difficult frontier areas, as also explore in the deeper layers of the producing fields.
  - (iv) to develop faster the newly discovered fields and to step up the use of new technologies for seismic surveys, work over, stimulation operations, drilling of wells etc. in producing areas.

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