

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

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:523
ANSWERED ON:28.02.2000
IMPORT AND PRODUCTION OF PETROL
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Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

- (a) the quantum of petrol produced and imported in the country in each of the last three years;
- (b) the price at which the petrol was imported;
- (c) the price at which petrol is available in the international market and is there any proposal to reduce the price of petrol in the country accordingly; and

Answer

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

(a) to (d): A statement is attached.

Statement referred to in reply to parts (a) to (d) of the Lok Sabha Unstarred Question No.523to be answered on 28.2.2000 regarding import and production of petrol.

(a) and (b): The production, import and value of petrol during the last three years was as under:-

| Year | Production | Import | @ |
|---------|--------------|--------------|--------------------|
| | Quantity TMT | Quantity TMT | Value (Rs. Crores) |
| 1996-97 | 4704 | 449 | 365.29 |
| 1997-98 | 4849 | 331 | 254.98 |
| 1998-99 | 5573 | 251 | 186.98 |

@ : Excludes import by private parties.
TMT : Thousand Metric Tonnes.

(c) and (d) The published price of petrol on FOB Singapore basis for unleaded MS(Octane 92) since April'99 are as under:-

| Month | Unleaded (\$/MT) |
|----------|------------------|
| Apr`99 | 157.87 |
| May`99 | 150.67 |
| June,99 | 150.28 |
| July`99 | 185.01 |
| Aug`99 | 213.48 |
| Sep`99 | 221.19 |
| Oct`99 | 202.98 |
| Nov`99 | 200.83 |
| Dec`99 | 229.63 |
| Jan`2000 | 246.20 |
| Feb`2000 | |

Up to 21.02.2000

There is no proposal to reduce the price of petrol at present.