

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

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INCREASE DEMAND OF DIESEL .
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Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

- (a.) whether the demand of diesel is increasing day by day in the country;
- (b.) if so, the details in this regard;
- (c.) whether the Government proposes to import the diesel to meet such increasing demand;
- 9d.) if so, the details alongwith reasons therefor; and
- (e.) the rate at which the Government is importing diesel?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM & NATURAL GAS (SHRI DINSHA PATEL)

(a) & (b) Yes, Sir. The details of consumption of Diesel during the last three years are given below:

Year	Qty. (TMT)
2005-06	40191
2006-07	42884
2007-08 (Apr-Feb) (P)	43274

(c) & (d) To meet the demand of Diesel, oil PSUs have imported 2316 TMT of Diesel during 2007-08 (April'07-Feb'08). However, during the same period, oil PSUs have also exported 1489 TMT of Diesel with the result that the net import of Diesel by PSUs was only 827 TMT during 2007-08 (April'07-Feb'08).

(e) The average rate of Diesel import during April'07 to February'08 was Rs. 30538/ Metric Tonne.