

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

STARRED QUESTION NO:285
ANSWERED ON:15.04.2010
IMPORT OF CRUDE OIL
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Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

- (a) the quantum of crude oil imported from various countries including Saudi Arabia during the last three years and the current year;
- (b) the details of foreign exchange utilized for import of crude oil during the said period; and
- (c) the steps taken to reduce the dependence on import of crude oil from foreign countries ?

Answer

MINISTER OF PETROLEUM & NATURAL GAS (SHRI MURLI DEORA)

(a) to (c): A statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) to (c) OF LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO.285 TO BE ANSWERED ON 15-04-2010 REG IMPORT OF CRUDE OIL

(a): The details of crude oil imports from various countries including Saudi Arabia during the last three years and the current year are as under:

(Qty. in Million Metric Tonne)

| S.No. | Country | 2006-07 | 2007-08 | 2008-09 | (P)# | 2009-10 | (Apr-Jan) | (P) |
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| 1 | Iran | 14.701 | 19.486 | 21.318 | | 18.451 | | |

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| 2 | Iraq | 13.449 | 14.293 | 14.391 | | 13.001 | | |
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| 3 | Kuwait | 11.382 | 10.305 | 11.890 | | 10.382 | | |
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| 4 | Neutral Zone | 1.632 | 2.598 | 2.766 | | 2.433 | | |
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| 5 | Oman | 0.488 | 0.277 | 3.950 | | | | |
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| 6 | Qatar | 1.727 | 2.514 | 2.396 | | 4.684 | | |
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| 7 | Saudi Arabia | 24.626 | 26.989 | 25.503 | | 22.347 | | |
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| 8 | Syria | 0.082 | 0.232 | | | | | |
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| 9 | UAE | 8.755 | 10.862 | 13.114 | | 9.350 | | |
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| 10 | Yemen | 4.543 | 2.194 | 0.681 | | 2.309 | | |
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| 11 | Algeria | 0.646 | 0.296 | 0.263 | 1.568 |
| 12 | Angola | 2.609 | 4.336 | 4.872 | 7.905 |
| 13 | Cameroon | 0.110 | 0.113 | 0.275 | |
| 14 | Chad | 0.146 | | | |
| 15 | Congo | 0.247 | 1.455 | | |
| 16 | Egypt | 1.930 | 1.887 | 1.557 | 2.673 |
| 17 | Equitorial Guiena | 0.409 | 1.769 | 0.281 | 0.561 |
| 18 | Equitorial Kenya | 0.292 | | | |
| 19 | Gabon | 0.141 | 0.418 | 0.136 | |
| 20 | Ivory Coast | 0.145 | 0.146 | 0.138 | 0.145 |
| 21 | Libya | 0.130 | 2.072 | 0.890 | 0.812 |
| 22 | Nigeria | 13.067 | 9.917 | 10.542 | 10.711 |
| 23 | Sudan | 0.156 | 0.943 | 0.772 | 0.941 |
| 24 | Brunei | 0.634 | 0.350 | 0.846 | 0.682 |
| 25 | China | 0.141 | | | |
| 26 | Malaysia | 4.731 | 4.278 | 3.909 | 2.180 |
| 27 | Singapore | 0.140 | | | |
| 28 | South Korea | 0.255 | | | |
| 29 | Brazil | 0.422 | 2.279 | | |
| 30 | Columbia | 0.710 | | | |
| 31 | Equador | 0.257 | 1.142 | | |

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| 32 Panama | 0.072 | | | |
| 33 Venezuela | 2.317 | 1.169 | 6.955 | 5.038 |
| 34 Azarbaijan | 0.709 | 2.109 | 1.577 | 1.995 |
| 35 Kazakisthan | 0.133 | | | |
| 36 Russia | 0.400 | 0.358 | 0.227 | 1.500 |
| 37 Canada | 0.080 | | | |
| 38 Mexico | 1.949 | 1.374 | 1.826 | 1.475 |
| 39 Turkey | 0.409 | 0.133 | | |
| 40 UK | 0.094 | | | |
| 41 Australia | 0.165 | 0.088 | 0.234 | |
| TOTAL | 111.502 | 121.672 | 128.155 | 132.529 |

Data of RIL (SEZ), Jamnagar Refinery is not included in 2008-09.
(P) – Provisional

(b): The details of the total foreign exchange spent on import of crude oil during the last three years & the current year, are as under:-

| Year | Value (US \$ million) |
|-----------------------------|-----------------------|
| 2006-07 | 48,389 |
| 2007-08 | 67,988 |
| 2008-09 | 76,957 |
| 2009-10 (upto January 2010) | 63,319 |

(c): The Government has taken various steps to reduce the dependence on import of crude oil from foreign countries, which are summarized below:

- i. Carving out more and more areas of exploration for offer under various rounds of New Exploration Licensing Policy (NELP) / Coal Bed Methane (CBM) Policy.
- ii. Application of Enhanced Oil Recovery (EOR)/Improved Oil Recovery (IOR) techniques for increasing recovery from existing fields and use of stimulation techniques for increasing production from existing fields.
- iii. Acquisition of exploration acreages and oil producing properties overseas to bring in equity oil.
- iv. Substitution of oil in the transport sector through use of alternative fuels such as Bio-diesel, Ethanol-blended Petrol, etc.