

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

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PRODUCTION OF KEROSENE DIESEL PETROL
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Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

- (a) the total expenditure on imported crude oil and indigenously produced crude oil;
- (b) whether the Government is working on any action plan to increase the production of crude oil by the Government undertakings and private sector in the coming five years;and
- (c) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM & NATURAL GAS (SHRI JITIN PRASADA)

- (a) The total value of imported crude oil during 2009-10 was Rs.3,75,378 crores (US \$ 79,552 million). Information in respect of indigenously produced crude oil is readily not available and is being collected.
- (b) & (c) Several measures have been taken to accelerate hydrocarbon exploration and production activities to meet our maximum requirement from indigenous sources, which include the following:
 - 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 factor from existing fields.
 - iii. Acquisition of exploration acreages and producing properties overseas to bring in equity oil.
 - iv. Arresting decline from ageing fields.
 - v. Substitution of oil through use of non-conventional sources of energy such as bio-diesel, ethanol etc. Extraction of Gas from Gas Hydrates under National Gas Hydrates Programmes (NGHP) by evolving suitable production technology.