

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

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STRIKE BY PETROL PUMP OWNERS
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Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the petrol pump owners in the country have threatened indefinite strike recently;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government have taken any step to address their grievances and to ensure easy availability of petroleum products to the consumer in the country;and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

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

(a)&(b): Yes, Madam. The Federation of All India Petroleum Traders (FAIPT) had called for a 'no purchase no sale' campaign from 20th September, 2010 to press upon their various demands.

(c)& (d): The Government has formed a Committee to consider the demands of FAIPT related to fixation of dealers' commission, suggesting rationalization of the criteria of planning and operationalising new ROs, and issues related with OMCs charging fees from the RO dealers for operating non-fuel activities (NFA) etc.

The Committee is to finalize its recommendations within a period of 3 months. The first meeting of the Committee was held on 09.10.2010.