

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

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SUPPLY OF ETHANOL  
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**Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether talks are going on between public sector oil marketing companies and sugar mills for finalizing the purchasing price of ethanol;
- (b) if so, the outcome thereof and the names of the mills in the country especially in Maharashtra with which agreement for supplying Ethanol has been signed; and
- (c) the quantity of Ethanol in million litres proposed to be supplied by the said mills?

**Answer**

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

(a) As per the decision of the Government dated 16.8.2010, ethanol is being procured by the Oil Marketing Companies (OMCs) at the ad-hoc ex-factory rate of Rs.27/litre. This price is subject to adjustment with the final formula/principle based pricing proposed by the Expert Committee constituted for the purpose and decided by the National Biofuel Coordination Committee. As such, price of ethanol for the EBP Programme is not being finalized by the OMCs.

(b) & (c) The names of the mills and the quantity of Ethanol proposed to be supplied are available with the Director (Marketing) of the Oil Marketing Companies.