

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

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SECURITY FOR PROVIDING COMPOSITE CYLINDERS  
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**Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the Public Sector Oil Marketing Companies (OMCs) will charge higher initial security for providing the composite cylinders for domestic purpose;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the justification of charging the higher security in this regard ; and
- (d) the time by which the composite cylinders will be introduced ?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM & NATURAL GAS (SHRI R. P. N. SINGH )

- (a) to (c): The domestically produced composite cylinders are proposed to be introduced as an alternative to the standard steel cylinders for those willing to pay a higher initial security deposit for the superior technology.
- (d): Public Sector Oil Marketing Companies (OMCs) have been advised to call for a global expression of interest to set up facilities for manufacturing of composite cylinders (fibre glass) domestically. The time by which these cylinders will be available will be known only after finalization of the tender process.