

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

STARRED QUESTION NO:212

ANSWERED ON:08.12.2011

TRANSPARENT GAS CYLINDERS

Shukla Shri Balkrishna Khanderao Balu Shukla

Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Oil Marketing Companies (OMCs) have called for a global expression of interest to set up facilities for manufacture of composite cylinders (Fibre glass transparent gas cylinders) indigenously;
- (b) if so, the details thereof indicating the progress made in this regard;
- (c) whether OMCs have examined the feasibility of multi-function regulator which was launched in the year 2011 on pilot basis;
- (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) the time by which composite cylinders and multi-function regulator would be made available to the consumers ?

Answer

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

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

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (e) OF THE LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 212 BY SHRI BALKRISHNA K. SHUKLA YADAV TO BE ANSWERED ON 8.12.2011 REGARDING TRANSPARENT GAS CYLINDERS.

(a)to(e): No, Madam. The Public Sector Oil Marketing Companies (OMCs) have not called for a global expression of interest to set up facilities for manufacturing composite cylinders (fibre glass) indigenously. As regards the multi function regulator, OMCs have launched a pilot project in five cities of Delhi, Mumbai, Hyderabad, Bangalore and Pune in the year 2011. This multi function regulator has additional safety features like level indicator, child lock, excess flow check valve and built in leak detector. The decision to roll out the multi-function regulator in other markets is subject to their performance in the pilot studies.