

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

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ALLOTMENT OF PETROL PUMPS  
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**Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:**

- (a) the details of petrol pumps and gas agencies opened during the last three years / proposed to be opened in various parts of the country, particularly in Maharashtra company-wise and location-wise;
- (b) the areas in the country where no petrol pumps have been opened. State-wise;
- (c) the number of petrol pumps/ gas agencies for which screening was held during the last three years. State-wise; and
- (d) the steps being taken to expedite setting up of more petrol pumps/gas agencies in various parts of the country with specific reference to those areas in which there is no such facility?

**Answer**

(a)to(d) New Retail Outlets (ROs) and LPG distributorships are being set up by Public sector oil marketing companies (OMCs.), viz., Indian Oil Corporation Limited (IOC), Hindustan Petroleum Corporation Limited (HPC) and Bharat Petroleum Corporation Limited (BPC) at suitable locations based on surveys and feasibility studies. Locations having sufficient potential and found to be economically viable are rostered in the Marketing Plans of OMCs. The intensity of the ROs and LPG Distributorships in an area depends on several factors like population density, economic prosperity of the area and the distance from the existing nearest dealer / distributor etc. The total number of ROs and LPG distributorships commissioned by OMCs during the last three years and current year (April- September, 2011) in the country and in Maharashtra are given below:

In the country Maharashtra

	RO	LPG	RO	LPG
IOC	2773	433	186	18
HPC	2271	205	231	36
BPC	1405	283	151	23
Total	6449	921	568	77

The total number of ROs and LPG distributorships where Letters of Intent (LOIs) have been issued by OMCs during the last three years and current year (April- September, 2011) and yet to be commissioned in the country and in Maharashtra are given below:

In the country Maharashtra

	RO	LPG	RO	LPG
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IOC	2045	141	155	11
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HPC	2175	123	268	29
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BPC	2031	357	268	63
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Total	6251	621	684	103
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