

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

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CORPORATE SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY

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

- (a) the criteria adopted by the various oil companies for providing funds and to take up projects under the Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) policy;
- (b) the details of the roadmap prepared by the Government for social reform activities to be undertaken by the public sector oil companies;
- (c) the amount spent in this regard by these companies during the last three years and the current year till date:
- (d) whether violation of guidelines regarding CSR has been noticed and funds have been spent arbitrarily by some officers of these oil companies; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof alongwith the action taken against them and the corrective measures being taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

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

(a) & (b): In order to make Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) projects as part of overall functioning of the oil Public Sector Undertakings (PSUs), the Department of Public Enterprises (DPE) has issued guidelines to all PSUs that they would spend 0.5 to 5.0 % depending on the quantum of their Net Profit of the previous year on CSR activities. The projects /programmes under the CSR activities are identified by the oil PSUs after following due procedure which involves local community as well. The projects relating to education, health, sanitation, drinking water, environment protection, conservation of monuments etc are generally covered under the CSR activities of oil PSUs.

(c): The expenditure incurred by major oil PSUs on the CSR activities during the last three years and the current year are in Annexure-I.

(d) & (e): As per information provided by major oil PSUs, no incidence of spending of CSR funds arbitrarily has been reported.