

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

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SUPPLY OF PETROLEUM PRODUCTS TO PAKISTAN

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

- (a) whether there is a proposal to supply petroleum and petro products from refineries near border to Pakistan through pipeline;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the response of Pakistan thereon;
- (d) whether India has become self-reliant in petroleum and petro products; and
- (e) if not, the reasons for exporting these products?

**Answer**

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

(a)to(c) Pursuant to the 5th Round of talks on Commercial and Economic Cooperation between Commerce Secretaries of India and Pakistan held on 27-28 April 2011 in Islamabad, a Joint Expert Group on Trade in Petroleum Products between India and Pakistan has been constituted. The feasibility, nature, extent and other details of the proposed trade are subject to the deliberations / recommendations of the Expert Group. Indian oil Corporation and Hindustan Petroleum Corporation participated in 'The India Show' at Lahore on 11-13 Feb' 2012 organised by the Ministry of Commerce & Industry, Government of India and FICCI to showcase India's strength in Petroleum refining sector and highlight the potential for trade in petroleum products between India and Pakistan.

(d) Yes, Madam. At present, India's production capacity of refined petroleum products is in excess of the domestic consumption. During 2010-11, the production of refined petroleum products was 195.78 million tonnes against domestic consumption of 141.04 million tonnes.

(e) Does not arise.