

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

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:4468
ANSWERED ON:03.05.2012
APPOINTMENT OF DIRECTOR MARKETING IN HPCL
Singh Shri Sushil Kumar

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

- (a) the date on which the present Director, Marketing, Hindustan Petroleum Corporation Limited (HPCL) was appointed;
- (b) the number of years of marketing experience the candidate for the said post must have, according to the guidelines of the Ministry;
- (c) whether the Government has received any complaint regarding the alleged irregularities committed in the said appointment; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof indicating the corrective measures taken in this regard?

Answer

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

- (a) The present incumbent Ms.Nishi Vasudeva, assumed the charge of the post of Director (Marketing), HPCL w.e.f., 04.07.2011.
- (b) As per the Job Description circulated by the Public Enterprises Selection Board (PESB)'s letter dated 16.08.2010, the candidate should be a graduate with good academic record from a recognised university and having at least two years of cumulative marketing experience during the last ten years.
- (c) & (d) Yes, Madam. This Ministry had received letters from several sitting and former Members of Parliament alleging that the candidate recommended by Public Enterprises Selection Board (PESB) for appointment did not possess the requisite experience. HPCL confirmed that the said candidate possessed the experience as prescribed by PESB's eligibility criteria. Accordingly, upon receipt of PESB's recommendations on shortlisted candidates, the proposal was processed and forwarded to Department of Personnel & Training (DOPT) for obtaining Appointments Committee of the Cabinet (ACC)'s approval, which was received in the Ministry on 04.07.2011.