

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

STARRED QUESTION NO:46

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DIESEL CONSUMPTION

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

- (a) the growth registered in the consumption of diesel and petrol, separately during the last three years, year-wise;
- (b) whether the price differential between petrol and diesel is tempting the car manufacturers to launch new version of diesel cars;
- (c) if so, whether the Government proposes to fix different prices for different uses of diesel; and
- (d) the steps being taken by the Government to control diesel consumption in the country?

Answer

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

(a) to (d): A Statement is laid on the Table of the House. Statement referred to in reply to parts (a) to (d) of Lok Sabha Starred Question No. 46 for 15th March, 2012 asked by Shri Ramesh Bais and Shri Gopinath Munde regarding Diesel Consumption.

(a): The detail of the growth registered in the consumption of Diesel and Petrol in the country during the last three years and current year (April-January, 2012) is given below :

(Fig. in TMT)

Year	Diesel consumed	Growth in consumption in%	Diesel Petrol Consumed	Growth in consumption in%
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2008-09	51,710	8.5	11,258	9.0
2009-10	56,242	8.8	12,818	13.9
2010-11	60,071	6.8	14,192	10.7
2011-12	53,261	7.2	12,350	4.8

(April-January)

(Prov.)

(b): Ministry of Heavy Industries and Public Enterprises, Department of Heavy Industry has reported that there is no specific information available with them regarding the price differential between Petrol and Diesel which is tempting the car manufacturers to launch new version of diesel cars.

(c): There is no such proposal with this Ministry to fix different prices for different uses of Diesel.

(d): Considering the Important role played by Diesel in the country's economic and industrial development, there is no proposal or plan before the Government to control Diesel's consumption.