

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

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2478
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SUPPLY OF SUBSIDISED DIESEL
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Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

- (a) the quantum of subsidised diesel consumed and supplied to Lakshadweep along with the amount of subsidy provided thereon during the last three years;
- (b) whether there is shortage of diesel supply for boats and crafts in Lakshadweep which is hampering the livelihood of common man and also the performance of the coastal police on duty;
- (c) if so, the details of such shortage and the steps being taken to address the issue;
- (d) whether with an increase in budget to around 900 crores for the islands from Rs.330 crores, the subsidy which was being provided earlier has been discontinued; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof along with the corrective measures being taken in this regard?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM & NATURAL GAS (SMT. PANABAACA LAKSHMI)

(a): The supply of Diesel to Lakshadweep and the under-recovery thereon during the last three years and current year 2012-13 (April-September, 2012) are as under:

Particulars	2012-13 (April-September, 2012)	2011-12	2010-11	2009-10
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HSD Sales in Lakshadweep in KL	6709	15121	24850	19687
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Gross Under recovery (Rs. crores)	8.58	15.71	12.15	2.75
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(b) & (c): There is no reported shortage of Diesel in Lakshadweep. Supplies are being made against the indents placed by Lakshadweep Authorities. HSD is being loaded in barrel at Beypore and moved to islands in the barges owned or arranged by the Union Territory of Lakshadweep Administration. HSD supplied to Lakshadweep is mainly used for power generation in the islands.

(d) & (e): Oil Marketing Companies (OMCs) sell diesel at a price as decided by the Government of India (GoI) and continues to incur under-recovery on supply of HSD to Lakshadweep, which is compensated by the GoI.