GOVERNMENT OF INDIA PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3374 ANSWERED ON:10.12.2009 DEMAND OF DIESEL Majhi Shri Pradeep Kumar

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

- (a) whether the demand of diesel is increasing day by day;
- (b) if so, the details of the demand of diesel during 2008-09 and 2009-10 so far as compared to corresponding period of previous year;
- (c) whether the various oil companies are importing the diesel to meet such increasing demand;
- (d) if so, the details of the diesel imported by various oil companies during the said period; and
- (e) the rate at which these oil companies are importing diesel alongwith the details of the foreign exchange incurred on such import during the said period?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM & NATURAL GAS (SHRI JITIN PRASADA)

(a) & (b): Details of consumption of diesel in the country during 2009-10 (April - September 2009) and corresponding period of previous year i.e. 2008-09 is given below: -

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Year Quantity Growth (%)
(In Thousand Metric Tonnes)

2008-09 (April - 25034 8.5
September 2008)

2009-10 (April - 27172 8.5
September 2009)
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(c) to (e): Diesel is imported by Public Sector Oil Marketing Companies (OMCs) to meet the domestic demand. The company-wise breakup of quantity of diesel imported during 2008-09 and April – September, 2009, alongwith the rate at which it was imported and the value of foreign exchange is at Annexure.