

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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LOK SABHA**

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PRODUCTION OF BIO DIESEL
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Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether bio-diesel is being produced in large scale in the country;
- (b) if so, the number of units engaged in its production alongwith their production capacity;
- (c) whether the product of said units is being exported;
- (d) if so, the percentage of products being exported out of the total production; and
- (e) the percentage of this product being utilized in the country?

Answer

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

(a) to (e) In order to promote use of bio-diesel by blending it with High Speed Diesel (HSD), MoPNG framed the Bio-diesel Purchase Policy. Under this, 20 procurement centres were notified, where the PSU OMCs could not get any quantity of bio-diesel so far.

As per the information given by Ministry of New and Renewable Energy (MNRE) the existing reported production capacities of 10 bio-diesel manufacturing units is about 2120 TPD. Unit-wise production capacity is annexed.