

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

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ALLOTMENT OF RETAIL OUTLETS  
Biju Shri Parayamparanbil Kuttappan

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

- (a) whether the Government has framed the guidelines relating to 27 per cent reservation for Other Backward Classes (OBCs) in allotment of new retail outlets by the public sector Oil Marketing Companies (OMCs);
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the total number of retail outlets allotted to persons belonging to OBCs so far, OMC-wise?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF STATE (I/C) IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM & NATURAL GAS (SHRI DHARMENDRA PRADHAN)

- (a) to (b). Yes, Madam. Detailed guidelines have already been finalized in May, 2014 on industry basis by OMCs.
- (c) As of now, no allotment under OBC category under the above policy has been made by OMCs.