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

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:979 ANSWERED ON:02.03.2015 **BHARAT STAGE AUTO FUELS** Patil Shri Sanjay(Kaka) Ramchandra

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

- (a) the progress of the use and supply of Bharat Stage (BS)-ill and IV auto fuels along with the expenditure incurred for the implementation of the same in various parts of the country;
- (b) the details of the new cities selected for the use of BS-III and IV fuels; and
- (c) the concrete steps taken by the Government to implement the said project in a time bound manner?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI DHARMENDRA PRADHAN)

(a) to (c): As per Auto Fuel Policy, 2003, Bharat Stagc-IV(BS-IV) Auto Fuels were introduced in 13 identified major cities in the country on 1.4.2010 and BS-Ill was implemented in the rest of country in a staggered manner between April 1, 2010 to September 22, 2010. Further, availability of BS-IV fuels in 50 additional cities by 2015 is planned. Out of these 50 cities, BS-IV fuel is available in 26 cities. Thus BS-IV fuel is now available in 39 cities.

The names of remaining 24 cities to be supplied BS-IV fuel by March, 2015 are as under: -

- S. No. Cities
- 1. Lonawala, Maharashtra
- 2. Palgarh, Maharashtra
- 3. Dahanu, Maharashtra
- 4. Talasari, Maharashtra
- 5. Boisar, Maharashtra
- 6. Panchgani, Maharashtra
- 7 Mahad, Maharashtra 8. Nagothana, Maharashtra
- 9. Indapur, Maharashtra
- 10. Vizag, Andhra Pradesh
- 11. Kochi, Kerala
- 12. Trivcndrum, Kerala
- 13. Kavaratti, Lakshadweep
- 14. Nagar, Rajasthan
- 15. Dig, Rajasthan
- 16. Nadbai, Rajasthan
- 17. Bhiwani, Haryana
- 18. Jind, Haryana
- 19. Mahendragarh, Haryana
- 20. Hansi, Haryana
- 21. C`narki Dadri, Haryana
- 22. Namaul, Haryana
- 23. Kiruli, UP
- 24. Fatehpur Sikri, UP

Oil Companies have invested about Rs.35,000 crore in upgrading facilities in refineries and installation of additional facilities for production of BS-III & IV quality` of auto fuels.

Ministry of Petroleum and Natural Gas has also taken a decision for availability of BS-IV fuels in the entire country by 1st Aprii, 2017 in a phased manner. v