GOVERNMENT OF INDIA PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1343 ANSWERED ON:01.12.2014 SUBSIDY SHARING MECHANISM

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

- (a) whether the Government proposes to rationalise the subsidy sharing mechanism for State-run oil producers to reduce the burden on Oil and Natural Gas Corporation Limited (ONGC) and Oil India Limited (OIL) as well as raise income for oil bearing States;
- (b) if so, the details thereof along with norms and criteria of subsidy sharing mechanism between the companies and States;
- (c) whether the ONGC and OIL have agreed to pay royalty to States on the full price of crude and not the discounted rate offered to Government refineries and if so, the details thereof:
- (d) whether the ONGC and OIL have given discount to State refineries on selling of diesel and Cooking gas at Government Capped rates;
- (e) if so, the details thereof along with proposal to rationalise the subsidy sharing mechanism for State-run oil producers to reduce the burden on ONGC and OIL; and
- (f) the efforts made by the Government to enhance the profitability of ONGC and OIL in view of the above?

Answer

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

- (a) & (b): The matter is under consideration of the Government.
- (c): ONGC and OIL were paying royalty to the State on the discounted price of crude oil. However, in terms of the Gujarat High Courts Order dated 30.11.2013 in Special Civil Application No.13943 of 2011 filed by Government of Gujarat and Honble Supreme Courts Order dated 13th February, 2014 in the Special Leave Petition filed by the ONGC in the matter, the ONGC has started paying royalty to Government of Gujarat on pre- discounted price w.e.f. 1st February, 2014. The matter is sub-judice.
- (d) & (e): As mentioned above, the under recoveries of the OMCs are partially compensated by the upstream companies through discount on crude oil and petroleum products sold by them to the OMCs. The discount provided by the upstream companies during last 2 years and the current year is given below:

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(` crore)
Year ONGC OIL GAIL Total
2012-13 49421 7892 2687 60000
2013-14 56384 8737 1900 67021
H1, 2014-15 26841 4085 1000 31926
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As mentioned earlier in the reply, this mater of rationalizing the subsidy sharing mechanism is under consideration of the Government.

(f): The Net profit reported by ONGC and OIL since 2011-12 is as under:

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(`crore)
Companies 2011-12 2012-13 2013-14 H1, 2014-15
Upstream Oil Companies
ONGC 25123 20926 22095 10227
OIL 3447 3589 2981 1460
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