

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

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PRODUCTION IMPORT OF PETROLEUM PRODUCTS

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

- (a) the details of domestic production of petroleum products including oil and gas capacity of public and private sector companies during each of the last three years and the current year, Oil Marketing Company(OMCs)/ product-wise;
- (b) the total production and consumption of petroleum products including crude oil and gas in the country during the said period, (OMCs) / product-wise;
- (c) whether there is a demand and supply mismatch in the production of petroleum products in the country;
- (d) if so, the quantum of petroleum products imported in the country along with amount paid by the Government in terms of rupee payment and percentage of imported cost out of total import in the country, during the said period, product / country/ volume-wise;
- (e) whether it is a fact that political uncertainties in the Middle East region pose a serious threat to Indias energy security and if so, the details thereof; and
- (f) the concrete steps taken by the Government to ensure availability of oil and natural gas by scaling up domestic production and less dependency on import?

**Answer**

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

(a) Details of

- (i) domestic production of petroleum products;
- (ii) Refining capacity of public and private sector companies; and
- (iii) Crude Oil and Natural Gas production for the last three years (2011-12 to 2013-14) and the current year i.e. 2014-15 (April-September, 2014) are given in Table 1, 2, and 3 respectively of Annexure-1.

(b) The details of

- (i) production and consumption of petroleum products including surplus/ deficit of petroleum products and
- (ii) production and processing of crude oil in the country during the said period product-wise are at Table 1 and 2 of Annexure-II.

(c) The countrys refining capacity as on date is 215.066 MMTPA. The domestic consumption of petroleum products was 158.2 MMT during 2013-14. Thus the present capacity is adequate to meet the demand of petroleum products in the country in near future on an overall basis, except for LPG and small quantity of other products which are being imported, to supplement the domestic production. Overall the country is now a net exporter of petroleum products. The country has been exporting surplus petroleum products since 2001-02.

(d) The quantity of petroleum products imported by the oil companies along with the value during last three years (2011-12 to 2013-14) and the current year i.e. 2014-15 (April- September) is at Annexure-III. As per data available from Director General of Commercial Intelligence and Statistics for the period of April, 2014 to August, 2014, cost of imported petroleum products to the total cost of imports in the country is 5.47%.

(e) To mitigate the threat to Indias energy security, in case of political uncertainty in a region, Indias oil companies endeavor to have a diversified portfolio of countries producing and supplying oil and gas and follow a similar approach in securing assets abroad.

(f) In order to accelerate the pace of exploration and production of oil and gas in the country, the Government has taken various steps as under:-

# Offering of exploration blocks through NELP bidding rounds.

# Encouraging exploration and exploitation of alternative energy sources, such as Coal Bed Methane(CBM), Shale Gas/Shale Oil and Gas Hydrates etc.

# Policy for exploration and exploitation of Shale Gas/Shale Oil resources by National Oil Companies(NOCs) under the Nomination Regime.

# Policy for exploration in the Mining Lease(ML) areas held by the Contractors after the expiry of exploration period.

# Policy on Non-exclusive Multi-client Speculative Survey for assessment of unexplored sedimentary basin.