

Demand and Production of Crude Oil and Petroleum Products

817. SHRI GURUDAS KAMAT: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) the estimated requirement of crude oil and petroleum products during 1989-90;

(b) the estimated oil output in the country during 1989-90;

(c) the net outgo on account of oil imports during 1988-89; and

(d) the steps proposed to intensify exploration of oil and to create the facilities for the use of natural gas?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI BRAHM DUTT): (a) The requirement of crude oil for processing and the demand for petroleum products during 1989-90 is estimated to be 50.96 million tonnes and 54.161 million tonnes respectively.

(b) The production of crude oil indigenously during 1989-90 is estimated to be 34.51 million tonnes.

(c) The net value of import of crude oil and petroleum products during 1988-89 is estimated to be about Rs. 3672 crores.

(d) The following steps have been taken to increase the production of crude oil:

- Intensification of exploration, which may eventually lead to enhanced production.
- Use of enhanced oil recovery techniques.
- Induction of advanced technology

As far as Natural Gas is concerned, steps to create the facilities for its use include:-

- Construction of C2/C3 plants and LPG plants for extraction of C2/C3 and LPG fractions from gas.
- Laying of pipelines and creating other necessary infrastructural facilities for processing and transportation of gas.
- Installation of low pressure gas compressors for transporting Low pressure gas to consumers.
- Commitment of gas to outcomers in accordance with availability.

Growth of Industries in Maharashtra

*819. SHRI PRAKASH V. PATIL: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) the rate of growth of industries in Maharashtra during the Seventh Plan period so far;

(b) how does it compare with the industrial growth of the State during the Sixth Plan period; and

(c) how it has helped in the growth of industrial employment?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRY (SHRI J. VENGAL RAO): (a) and (b). Central Statistical Organisation does not compile state-wise index of industrial production. However, on all India basis, the rate of industrial growth during the first 3 years of the Seventh Plan was 8.4 per cent per annum as compared to an annual average rate of growth of 6.4 per cent achieved in the Sixth Plan.

(c) According to the Ministry of Labour,