GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF FINANCE DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC AFFAIRS

LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 8

TO BE ANSWERED ON 19.07.2021

IMPACT OF RISING EXCISE DUTIES AND ON FUEL/LPG TAXES

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Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has assessed the impact of rising excise duties and taxes on fuel/Liquefied Petroleum Gas (LPG) on income inequality;
- (b) if so, the details of the incidence of fuel excise duties on varying income groups of the population;
- (c) whether the Government has made any assessment about how rising fuel excise duties can increase costs of goods and inflation; and
 - (d) if so, the detailed assessment of the impact of current fuel excise duties on inflation?

ANSWER

THE FINANCE MINISTER (SMT. NIRMALA SITHARAMAN)

(a) to (d): A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO THE LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 8 ON IMPACT OF RISING EXCISE DUTIES AND ON FUEL/LPG TAXES BY DR. A. CHALLAKUMAR AND DR. AMAR SINGH DUE FOR ANSWER ON JULY 19, 2021

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- (a) & (b) No Sir, such assessment has not been made.
- (c) & (d) The CPI- Combined inflation in June 2021 was 6.26 percent as against the average CPI-Combined inflation of 6.16 percent during 2020-21. The weight of fuels like petrol, diesel and other fuels in the total CPI-Combined is only 2.52 percent.
