

(b) The strike was on the issue of pay revision of the executives of Oil PSUs. The strike was called off by the Oil Sector Officers Association unconditionally.

(c) The oil sector PSUs have taken proactive measures, namely, strengthening of the consultative process for prompt resolution of disputes, regular deliberation with the employees collectives, delineating the role and responsibility of Officers Association as well as Management in resolving employees' related issues, disposal of grievances through constructive dialogue at appropriate level in the company, introduction of Code of Conduct for employees collectives and stricter enforcement of disciplinary rules.

Move to increase prices of petroleum products

2727. SHRIMATI KUSUM RAI:

SHRI KAMAL AKHTAR:

SHRI NAND KISHORE YADAV:

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

(a) whether the Planning Commission in its Mid Term Report on Eleventh Plan has suggested his Ministry to increase the prices of kerosene and Liquefied Petroleum Gas (LPG);

(b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;

(c) whether Government is considering the suggestion seriously to increase the prices of kerosene and LPG; and

(d) if so, the reasons why Government is imposing additional burden on the poor and starving 'Tadapata Bharat'?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI JITIN PRASADA): (a) and (b) The Planning Commission has not yet finalized the Mid Term Appraisal of the Eleventh Five Year Plan.

(c) and (d) The Government has not taken any decision to increase prices of kerosene and LPG.

Rise in demand for petroleum products

†2728. SHRI RAJ MOHTINDER SINGH MAJITHA:

SHRI RAVI SHANKAR PRASAD:

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

† Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.

(a) whether it is a fact that requirement of consumption of petroleum products has been constantly increasing in the country over past few year;

(b) if so, the extent to which the demand of petrol, diesel, Compressed Natural Gas (CNG) Liquefied Petroleum Gas (LPG) have increased from 2004-05 to 2009-10; and

(c) the demand of petrol, diesel, CNG and LPG in December 2009 in the country?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI JITIN PRASADA): (a) Yes, Sir. The consumption of petroleum products has been constantly increasing in the country.

(b) The consumption and growth increase of petrol, diesel, Compressed Natural Gas (CNG) and Liquefied Petroleum Gas (LPG) during the 2004-05 to 2009-10 are as under:

(Figures in Thousand Metric Tonnes)

Product	2004-05	2005-06	2006-07	2007-08	2008-09	2009-10 (Apr, 09-Feb 10) (Provisional)
Petrol	8251	8647	9286	10332	11258	11661
Growth (%)	4.5	4.8	7.4	11.3	9.0	14.3
Diesel	39650	40191	42896	47669	51710	51158
Growth (%)	6.9	1.4	6.7	11.1	8.5	9.1
CNG*	482.9	568.3	691.1	797.6	950.8	1019.8
Growth (%)	-	17.7	21.6	15.4	19.2	16.4
LPG	10245	10456	10849	12165	12344	12082
Growth (%)	10.1	2.1	3.8	12.1	1.5	7.4

(c) The consumption of petrol, diesel, CNG and LPG during December 2009 is given below:

(Figures in Thousand Metric Tonnes)

Product	Quantity
Petrol	1105
Diesel	5040
CNG *	826
LPG	1205

*CNG data is for Joint Venture companies only.