

Statement

Details of quantum of crude oil imports and its value

Name of oil Company	2010-11 (Till 31.12.2010)	
	Quantity of Crude Oil imported from Iran (in TMT)	Value (in Million US \$)
Indian Oil Corporation Limited (IOCL)	2042.00	1208.00
Bharat Petroleum Corporation Limited (BPCL)	277.57	160.72
Hindustan Petroleum Corporation Limited (HPCL)	2772.74	1670.72
Mangalore Refinery and Petrochemicals Limited (MRPL)	5380.00	3041.54
TMT = Thousand Metric Tonne.		

Sale of ethanol mixed petrol

†737. SHRI RAM JETHMALANI:

SHRI RAM CHANDRA PRASAD SINGH:

Will the MINISTER of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to State:

- (a) whether it is a fact that ethanol mixed petrol is being sold to consumers in several regions of the country;
- (b) if so, the States, where this mixed petrol is being sold;
- (c) whether petrol prices come down because of introduction of ethanol mixed petrol; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof and whether the producers, sellers and consumers are being benefited from this cost reduction, so far?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI R.P.N. SINGH): (a) and (b) Yes Sir. The Oil Marketing Companies are procuring ethanol for the Ethanol Blended Petrol (EBP) Programme to the extent made available by the domestic ethanol producers at the ad-hoc ex-factory declared price at Rs. 27/litre, as decided by the Government.

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.

At present the programme is operational in 13 States, viz. Maharashtra, Goa, Uttar Pradesh, Uttarakhand, Haryana, Punjab, Delhi, Himachal Pradesh, Bihar, Karnataka, Gujarat (part), Andhra Pradesh (part) & Kerala (part) and 3 Union Territories, viz. Daman and Diu, Dadra and Nagar Haveli and Chandigarh.

(c) and (d) Ethanol Blended Petrol is being sold at the same price as that of Petrol.

Shortage of CNG filling stations

†738. SHRI MOTILAL VORA:

SHRI SATYAVRAT CHATURVEDI:

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

(a) whether it is a fact that the number of vehicles running on CNG is continuously rising in the country but the number of CNG filling stations have not increased correspondingly:

(b) whether Government is aware that due to shortage of CNG filling stations, customers have to wait in long queues at several places in Delhi, Indore etc. leading to scuffles as well; and

(c) if so, the steps being taken by Government to rapidly increase the number of CNG filling stations all over the country?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI R.P.N SINGH): (a) to (c) The demand for CNG is continuously growing in view of the increasing number of CNG run vehicles. All the City Gas Distribution (CGD) entities, including Indraprastha Gas Ltd. (IGL) in Delhi & adjoining areas, and Aavantika Gas Ltd. (AGL) in Indore, are expanding their CGD networks in order to meet the rising demand. IGL is supplying CNG in Delhi and adjacent areas through 227 CNG stations. AGL is supplying CNG in Indore through 5 CNG stations. The numbers of CNG stations operated by GAIL, its Joint Ventures (JVs)/and its subsidiary have increased from 366 to 413 during the last one year.

Apart from increase of vehicles, queues at CNG filling stations depends on the compression capacity, pipelines connectivity, availability of gas etc. which is within the preview of the CNG companies. The Government reviews the position periodically with the companies involved.

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