made market-determined with effect from 26.6.2010. Since then, the Public Sector Oil Marketing Companies (OMCs) have been taking decision on the pricing of Petrol in line with the international oil prices and market conditions. Accordingly, in line with reduction in price of Petrol in the international market, OMCs have reduced the price of Petrol by Rs.2.02 per litre effective 3rd June, 2012 and Rs.2.46 per litre effective 29th June, 2012 at Delhi.

In order to insulate the common man from the impact of rise in international oil prices and the domestic inflationary conditions, the Government continues to modulate the retail selling prices of Diesel, PDS Kerosene and Domestic LPG resulting in under-recovery to the OMCs on sale of these products. Based on the Refinery Gate Price effective 1st August, 2012, the OMCs are currently incurring under recovery of Rs.12.06 per litre on Diesel, Rs.28.54 per litre on PDS Kerosene and Rs.231.00 per 14.2 kg cylinder on Domestic LPG. There is no revision in price of these products since 25th June, 2011.

- (c) No, Sir.
- (d) Does not arise in view of answer to (c).

Production capacity of oil refineries

†576. SHRI RAM JETHMALANI: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

- whether it is a fact that the country's oil refineries have more production capacity than the requirement of consumption of petroleum products in the country;
- (b) if so, the details of quantity of requirement for the consumption of petroleum products and production capacity of oil refineries of the country during March 2012;
- (c) whether production capacity is likely to be increased further in the country; and
- (d) if so, the expected capacity of production by 2017 and reasons for sharp increase in expansion of this industry?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI R.P.N. SINGH): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. It is a fact that the

[†]Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.

country's oil refineries have more production capacity than the requirement of consumption of petroleum products in the country. Surplus refined petroleum products are exported.

Details of production capacity of oil refineries and consumption of various petroleum products in the year 2011-12 are given as under:

Products	Production (Million Metric Tonne)	Consumption (Million Metric Tonne)
LPG	9.554	15.358
Naphtha	18.707	11.105
MS	27.207	14.992
ATF	10.061	5.536
SKO	8.019	8.229
HSD	82.929	64.742
LDO	0.502	0.415
Lubes	1.027	2.745
FO + LSHS	19.433	9.232
Bitumen	4.599	4.628
Others	21.955	11.014
Total	203.993	147.996

(c) and (d) Yes, Sir. Production capacity is projected to increase to 313.556 MMTPA by the end of the 12th Five Year Plan (2012-17). The processing of crude oil and production of petroleum products by refineries/oil companies are undertaken by the oil companies/refineries based on their individual economic consideration and viability assessment. Addition of refining capacity also contributes to economic growth, creating direct and indirect employment and boosting socio-economic development.

Oil refinery project in Rajasthan

577. SHRIMATI JAYA BACHCHAN: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state: