

**Statement***Month-wise details of LPG imported during 2015, 2016 and 2017**January to December*

(In Thousand Metric Tonnes)

Year/ Month	Jan.	Feb.	March	April	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
2015	711	623	843	685	809	653	696	996	663	710	724	785
2016	803	684	750	809	857	796	811	746	798	1005	1021	1119
2017	901	1000	1235	906	752	617	933	1105	872	1201	1238	1133

*Source: Petroleum Planning and Analysis Cell (PPAC).***Strategic storage of crude oil**

609. DR. R. LAKSHMANAN: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Expenditure Finance Committee (EFC) had not recommended to set up strategic storage of crude oil project at Rajkot and Padur as proposed by the Indian Strategic Petroleum Reserve Limited (ISPRL);

(b) if so, the reasons therefor;

(c) whether Government has identified any other location for setting up of strategic storage of crude oil;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI DHARMENDRA PRADHAN): (a) to (e) Government, under Phase I of Strategic Petroleum Reserve (SPR) programme, has built SPR facility with a total capacity of 5.33 MMT at three locations viz. Vishakhapatnam (1.33 MMT), Mangaluru (1.5 MMT) and Padur (2.5 MMT). The total available reserve capacity of Phase-I of SPR facilities is currently estimated to supply approximately 10 days of India's crude requirement. As per an Approach Paper prepared by a working group set up by the Ministry in 2009, there is an estimated 63 days of commercial storage in India, in the public and private sectors, including crude oil, petroleum products and gas. Construction of additional Strategic Petroleum Reserves are being envisaged in Phase II.