

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS**

**RAJYA SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.458  
ANSWERED ON 6 FEBRUARY, 2023**

**SETTING UP OF PETROL AND DIESEL PUMPS IN RURAL AREAS**

**458    Shri Dhananjay Bhimrao Mahadik:**

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

- (a) whether Oil Marketing Companies propose to set up petrol and diesel pumps in rural and backward areas of Maharashtra;
- (b) if so, details thereof including the norms/guidelines;
- (c) number of petrol and diesel pumps set up during the last three years and the current year, State/ UT-wise including Maharashtra;
- (d) impact of the newly set up as well as existing petrol pumps on availability and consumption of petrol and diesel in rural areas in Maharashtra; and
- (e) details of the plans for setting up additional petrol/diesel pumps in view of future demand and consumption of petrol and diesel?

**ANSWER**

**THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS  
(SHRI RAMESWAR TELI)**

(a)to(e)    Expansion of Retail Outlet (RO) network (in urban/rural) by Public Sector Oil Marketing Companies (OMCs) is a continuous process to ensure adequate availability of motor fuels such as petrol & diesel throughout the country including rural and backward areas of Maharashtra. ROs are set up by Public Sector OMCs at identified locations based on field survey and feasibility studies. Locations having sufficient potential and which are economically viable are rostered in the Marketing Plans for setting up ROs. Procedure/Norms/Criteria for allotment of RO dealerships in the country are available at [www.petrolpumpdealerchayan.in](http://www.petrolpumpdealerchayan.in).

The newly set up petrol pumps along with the existing petrol pumps in rural areas of the country including Maharashtra state, ensure the availability of petrol and diesel nearer to the consumption centers.

State-wise number of petrol and diesel pumps set up in the country including Maharashtra by Public Sector OMCs during the last three years and current year are given at **Annexure.**

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**ANNEXURE**

**Annexure referred to in reply to part (a) to (e) of Rajya Sabha Unstarred Question No.458 for 6.2.2023 asked by Shri Dhananjay Bhimrao Mahadik, MP regarding "Setting up of petrol and diesel pumps in rural areas".**

**Public Sector OMCs: Number of Retail outlets set up (commissioned) in the country during 2019-20, 2020-21, 2021-22 & April to December 2022**

<b>S.No.</b>	<b>STATE/UT</b>	<b>Number of Retail Outlets set up (commissioned) during 2019-20 to 2021-22</b>	<b>Number of Retail Outlets set up (commissioned) during Apr - Dec, 2022</b>
1	Andhra Pradesh	712	78
2	Arunachal Pradesh	84	8
3	Assam	305	46
4	Bihar	487	137
5	Chhattisgarh	693	61
6	Delhi	2	0
7	Goa	7	3
8	Gujarat	1084	106
9	Haryana	718	80
10	Himachal Pradesh	153	26
11	Jharkhand	433	38
12	Karnataka	1270	128
13	Kerala	347	72
14	Madhya Pradesh	1662	206
15	Maharashtra	1302	260
16	Manipur	74	7
17	Meghalaya	56	5
18	Mizoram	29	12
19	Nagaland	71	6
20	Odisha	542	67
21	Punjab	465	65
22	Rajasthan	1201	237
23	Sikkim	12	1
24	Tamil Nadu	960	210
25	Telangana	1019	125
26	Tripura	36	3
27	Uttar Pradesh	2445	385
28	Uttarakhand	141	15
29	West Bengal	548	75
30	Andaman and Nicobar Islands UT	5	0

31	Chandigarh union territory	5	1
32	Dadra and Nagar Haveli UT	1	2
33	Daman and Diu union territory	2	0
34	Jammu and Kashmir UT	88	47
35	Ladakh UT	14	5
36	Lakshadweep union territory	1	1
37	Puducherry UT	15	6
	<b>ALL INDIA</b>	<b>16989</b>	<b>2524</b>

SOURCE - PSU OMCS