GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS

RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION No. 2066 ANSWERED ON 07.08.2023

ROLL-OUT FOR E20 PETROL

2066. LT.GEN. (DR.) D. P. VATS (RETD.):

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

- (a) the current status of Government's roll-out plan for E20 petrol, aiming to achieve its implementation by the year 2025;
- (b) the number of fuel retail outlets which have been opened under this project nationwide separately mentioning details of Haryana; and
- (c) whether it is a fact that Ethanol Blended petrol has benefitted the country in terms of saving foreign exchange?

ANSWER

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

(a) to (c): Public Sector Oil Marketing Companies (OMCs) started selling E20 (20% ethanol blended) petrol from 6th February 2023 and this fuel is sold at more than 1900 retail outlets across the country including 156 in Haryana. Under the Ethanol Blended Petrol (EBP) Programme, OMCs have saved 433.6 crore litres of petrol on account of ethanol blending during the Ethanol Supply Year (ESY) 2021-22 resulting in approximate savings of over Rs. 22,600 crore of foreign exchange.
