

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS
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PRODUCTION AND IMPORT OF ETHANOL

2682 SHRI SAKET GOKHALE:

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

- (a) the total amount of ethanol required per annum, along with its cost, for achieving 20 per cent blending of petrol with ethanol;
- (b) the total domestic production, of ethanol in the country between 2020 to 2024 year-wise; and
- (c) the total volume of ethanol imported and amount spent, by OMCs on import of ethanol from other countries between 2020 to 2024 year-wise,?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM & NATURAL GAS

(SHRI SURESH GOPI)

(a) The Roadmap for Ethanol Blending in India 2020-25 has estimated demand of 1016 crore litres for 20% blending of ethanol with petrol by Ethanol Supply Year (ESY) 2025-26. The total cost of ethanol procurement varies as per the type of feedstock used for production and the applicable transportation costs for delivery to the respective Oil Marketing Companies (OMCs) depots or terminals.

(b) The ethanol procured/blended by Public Sector OMCs for Ethanol Blended Petrol (EBP) Programme from ESY 2020-21 to 2023-24 is as under:

| Ethanol Supply Year (ESY) | 2020-21 | 2021-22 | 2022-23 | 2023-24 |
|----------------------------|---------|---------|---------|---------|
| Quantity (in crore litres) | 302.3 | 433.6 | 508.5 | 707.4 |

(c) The National Policy on Biofuels - 2018 does not permit import of ethanol.
