

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS
RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO - 1729
ANSWERED ON - 03/08/2026

PRODUCTION, PROCUREMENT AND PRICING OF ETHANOL

1729. SHRI RANDEEP SINGH SURJEWALA:

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

- (a) the feedstock-wise and year-wise quantity of ethanol produced since 2020, specifically from sugarcane juice, B/C-heavy molasses, maize, rice and other feedstocks;
- (b) the company-wise and year-wise quantity of ethanol procured by Public Sector Oil Marketing Companies (OMCs) and private entities during this period;
- (c) the year-wise procurement price fixed by Government per feedstock category, alongside the estimated production cost and actual price paid by OMCs; and
- (d) the total expenditure incurred by OMCs on ethanol procurement during the said period, company-wise and year-wise?

ANSWER

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

(SHRI SURESH GOPI)

(a) & (b): Bharat Petroleum Corporation Limited (BPCL), has informed on industry basis the feedstock-wise and year-wise quantity of ethanol produced and supplied by the distilleries to the Public Sector Oil Marketing Companies (OMCs) since 2020 is as under:

All figures are for Ethanol Supply Year (ESY) and in crore litres

Feedstock	ESY20-21 (Dec-Nov)	ESY21-22 (Dec-Nov)	ESY22-23 (Dec-Oct)	ESY23-24 (Nov-Oct)	ESY24-25 (Nov-Oct)	ESY25-26 (till 30.06.26)
Sugarcane Juice/ Sugar/Sugar Syrup	38.16	84.98	128.35	65.51	165.31	143.95
B- Heavy Molasses	178.67	253.34	235.33	149.10	138.81	81.88
C- Heavy Molasses	38.07	10.21	5.61	57.79	16.90	11.80
Damaged Food Grains	38.46	23.49	31.90	116.56	80.48	44.98
Surplus FCI Rice	2.19	46.72	73.71	0.13	140.09	176.77
Maize	0.00	0.00	31.51	289.91	498.49	257.91
Total Receipt (Cr Lit)	295.55	418.74	506.41	679.00	1040.08	717.29

The year-wise quantity of ethanol procured by the Private OMCs since 2020 is as under:

All figures in crore liters

Private OMCs	2020-21	2021-22	2022-23	2023-24	2024-25	2025-26 (till June 2026)
Reliance BP Mobility Limited*	2.58	5.08	9.14	14.21	20.83	36.34
Shell India Limited#	0.01	0.54	1.67	1.66	1.39	1.62
Nayara Energy Limited#	10.20	16.63	24.73	35.80	49.07	36.50

*Figures are for Financial Year

#Figures are for ESY

(c): The ex-mill price of ethanol from sugarcane-based feedstock is decided by the Government, whereas the price of ethanol from grain-based feedstock is decided by Public Sector OMCs. Government's continued endeavour seeks to ensure that ethanol prices remain competitive vis-à-vis prices of fossil fuels. The year-wise procurement price of ethanol procured by PSU OMCs under the EBP Programme is as under:

Ex-Mill Price including incentive in Rs. Per litre (excluding GST and Transportation)

Feedstock	ESY20-21 (Dec-Nov)	ESY21-22 (Dec-Nov)	ESY22-23 (Dec-Oct)	ESY23-24 (Nov-Oct)	ESY24-25 (Nov-Oct)	ESY25-26 (till 30.06.26)
Sugarcane Juice/Sugar/Sugar Syrup	62.65	63.45	65.61	65.61	65.61	65.61
B- Heavy Molasses	57.61	59.08	60.73	60.73	60.73	60.73
C- Heavy Molasses	45.69	46.66	49.41	56.28	57.97	57.97
Damaged Food Grains	51.55	52.92	55.54	64.00	64.00	64.00
Surplus FCI Rice	56.87	56.87	58.50	58.50	58.50	60.32
Maize	-	-	56.35	71.86	71.86	71.86

(d): The year-wise total expenditure incurred by PSU OMCs on ethanol procurement from ESY 20-21 to ESY25-26 (till 30.06.26) is as under:

All figures in Rs. Crore

OMC	ESY20-21 (Dec-Nov)	ESY21-22 (Dec-Nov)	ESY22-23 (Dec-Oct)	ESY23-24 (Nov-Oct)	ESY24-25 (Nov-Oct)	ESY25-26 (till 30.06.26)
BPCL	5149	8198	9941	14428	21889	14190
HPCL	5170	6925	8982	12881	20132	13000
IOCL	7386	11289	15402	21107	31983	22387
Total	17705	26412	34325	48416	74004	49577

Source: PSU OMCs
