

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

LOK SABHA
UN-STARRED QUESTION NO. 2817
TO BE ANSWERED ON 28.12.2018

Vapour Recovery Systems in Petrol Bunks

2817. SHRI MAGANTTI VENKATESWARA RAO (BABU):

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the pollution can be reduced by the installation of Vapour Recovery Systems in Petrol Bunks;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the extent to which the pollution is likely to be reduced as a result thereof;
- (c) whether the Government has taken any steps to install these systems in petrol bunks; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE
(DR. MAHESH SHARMA)

- (a) & (b) The Vapour Recovery Systems (VRS) in Petrol Bunks helps in recovery of vapours released during filling of petrol which, in turn, reduces the release of Volatile Organic Compounds (VOCs) in the environment. As a result, the pollution caused by them is reduced.
- (c) & (d) Directions have been issued on 22nd Feb, 2016 under Section 5 of Environment (Protection) Act, 1986 to install Stage I and Stage II VRS in petrol refueling stations with capacity of 300 KLM and more, located in million plus cities by December 2017. Further, all new retail outlets, with capacity more than 300KLM to be commissioned after date of issue of above directions, have been directed to install modern dispensing units with in-built VRS facilities. Directions have been issued to install VRS in petrol pumps selling more than 300 KLM by 31st Oct, 2018 and less than 300 KLM by 31st Dec, 2018 in Delhi.
