LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION No. 2558 TO BE ANSWERED ON 22ndDecember, 2022

Ethanol Blended Petrol Programme

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पेट्रोलियम और प्राकृतिक गैस मंत्री

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

- (a) whether the Ethanol Blended Petrol (EBP) Programme is still functioning in the country and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether there are plans to scale up blending beyond ten per cent and if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor; and
- (c) whether the Government has any plan to increase ethanol procurement from farmers and if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

ANSWER

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

(a) to (c): Public Sector Oil Marketing Companies (OMCs) have achieved over 10% ethanol blending in petrol during Ethanol Supply Year (ESY) 2021-22. Government has amended the National Policy on Biofuels – 2018 which has advanced the target of 20% blending of ethanol in petrol to ESY 2025-26 from 2030. The required ethanol quantity from sugarcane and grain based feedstocks for blending under this Programme is accordingly procured by OMCs from registered bidders/suppliers.
