# LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2121 TO BE ANSWERED ON 2<sup>ND</sup> DECEMBER, 2019

#### **Import of Crude Oil Substitute**

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पेट्रोलियम और प्राकृतिक गैस मंत्री

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

- (a) the details of the monthly oil import prices during the year 2018-19; and
- (b) whether the Government is deliberating on an import substitute product which is pollution-free and cost effective and if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

### ANSWER पेट्रोलियम और प्राकृतिक गैस मंत्री (श्री धर्मेन्द्र प्रधान)

## MINISTER OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI DHARMENDRA PRADHAN)

(a) The details of month wise crude oil import quantity and value during the year 2018-19 are given below:

CRUDE OIL IMPORT QUANTITY AND VALUE DURING THE YEAR 2018-19			
	QUANTITY MMT	VALUE	
		US \$ (Billion)	₹ crore
April, 2018	17.3	8.3	54774
May, 2018	20.0	10.2	68799
June, 2018	19.5	10.2	69746
July, 2018	19.6	10.3	71013
August, 2018	18.6	9.8	69055
September, 2018	17.9	9.8	70493
October, 2018	21.1	11.7	84902
November, 2018	17.0	8.3	59275
December, 2018	19.5	8.4	59455
January, 2019	19.7	8.3	58811
February, 2019	17.1	7.7	54282
March, 2019	19.2	8.9	62578
Total 2018-19	226.5	111.9	783183

(b) Government has notified National Policy on Biofuels – 2018 which inter-alia aims to promote/increase blending of biofuels from domestic sources in petrol and diesel to address environment issues and reduce imports.

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