## LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION No. 1364 TO BE ANSWERED ON 10<sup>th</sup> February, 2020

## **Bio Fuel Processing Plants**

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#### पेट्रोलियम और प्राकृतिक गैस मंत्री

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

(a) the salient features of bio fuel;

(b) whether the Government has fixed any target in the country in this regard, if so, the State-wise details thereof including Rajasthan along with its present status;

(c) whether the Union Government has accorded sanction to set up bio fuel processing plant in Rajasthan, if so, the details thereof along with present status thereof;

(d) the details of the amount sanctioned and utilised in this regard;

(e) whether the Government has signed or proposes to sign any Agreement/Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with Brazil for bio fuel, if so, the details thereof; and

(f) the amount sanctioned and the target fixed under the said Agreement/MoU?

#### ANSWER

## पेट्रोलियम और प्राकृतिक गैस मंत्री (श्री धर्मेन्द्र प्रधान) MINISTER OF PETROLEUM & NATURAL GAS (SHRI DHARMENDRA PRADHAN)

(a): 'Biofuels' are fuels produced from renewable resources like biodegradable products, wastes and residues from agriculture, forestry, tree based oil other non-edible oils and used in place of or in blend with diesel, petrol or other fossil fuels for transport, stationary, portable and other applications.

(b): The National Policy on Biofuels announced in 2018 has laid out indicative targets of achieving 20% blending in petrol and 5% blending in diesel by 2030 in the country.

(c) & (d): No, Sir.

(e) & (f): Government of India has signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with Government of Brazil on 25<sup>th</sup> January, 2020 on Bioenergy Cooperation. The MoU provides a framework to cooperate, inter alia, in biofuels, bioelectricity and biogas supply-chain.