LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 111 TO BE ANSWERED ON 14TH SEPTEMBER, 2020

Safety Audit of Petrol Pumps

111. SHRIMATI DARSHANA VIKRAM JARDOSH:

पैट्रोलियम और प्राकृतिक गैस मंत्री

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

(a) whether the Government is aware of the fact that modern/adequate resources for fire safety are not available at several petrol pumps due to which if any incident of fire happens at the petrol pumps then it cannot be controlled immediately and there is wide possibility of massive accident;

(b) if so, the details of the steps taken by the Government in collaboration with the State Governments for the fire safety

audit of the petrol pumps; State-wise; and

(c) the number of fire incidents at the petrol pumps in the last three years and the losses incurred/valuable lives lost due to the said incidents; State-wise?

ANSWER

पैट्रोलियम और प्राकृतिक गैस मंत्री (श्री धर्मेंद्र प्रधान)

MINISTER OF PETROLEUM & NATURAL GAS (SHRI DHARMENDRA PRADHAN)

- (a) & (b) Oil Marketing Companies (OMCs) namely Indian Oil Corporation Ltd (IOCL), Hindustan Petroleum Corporation Ltd. (HPCL) and Bharat Petroleum Corporation Ltd. (BPCL) have informed that adequate resources for fire safety are provided at Petrol pumps as per Petroleum Explosive & Safety Organization (PESO), guidelines. A Petrol Pump is commissioned only after strictly following stipulations as laid out in Petroleum Rules 2002, after compliance of which, license to operate the petrol pump is provided to OMCs by PESO. Further, the OMCs strive to maintain these standards by means of regular and surprise inspections, and strict action is taken as per Marketing Discipline Guidelines in case deficiencies are noticed.
 - (c) State-wise details of fire incident at petrol pumps, losses incurred and valuable life lost during the last three years (2017- 18 to 2019-20 and April – June 2020) is at annexure.

Annexure referred to in reply to parts (C) of the Lok Sabha unstarred question No. 111 asked by Shrimati Darshana Vikram Jardosh for answer on 14.09.2020 regarding Safety Audit of Petrol Pumps

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