

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1352
TO BE ANSWERED ON 19th September 2020

Reduction in Import of Oil

1352. SHRI SUMEDHANAND SARASWATI:
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पेट्रोलियम और प्राकृतिक गैस मंत्री

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

- (a) the annual requirement of petro products in the country along with the percentage of this requirement imported from abroad;
- (b) the current status of benefit/loss per litre to the Government;
- (c) the details of steps taken by Government to reduce dependency on fossil fuels from abroad;
- (d) whether any new oil exploration projects have been started to reduce dependency from abroad, if so, the required details thereof;
- (e) whether any steps have been taken to improve consumption of bio-fuels in order to reduce imports from other countries; and
- (f) the details of the work plan of the Government for introduction of other alternatives to petroleum oil?

ANSWER

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MINISTER OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI DHARMENDRA PRADHAN)

- (a) During 2019-20 consumption of petroleum products was 213.7 MMT and percentage of import dependency of oil and oil equivalent gas was 77.9%.
- (b) Currently, the Central Government levies Excise duty on petrol and diesel, whereas State Governments levy VAT/Sales Tax. Excise duty is levied on specific basis (fixed amount per litre) and VAT/Sales tax (by most of the states) is levied on an ad-valorem basis. Details of Excise duty on non GST goods and the rates of products under GST are attached.
- (c) to (e) Ministry of Petroleum and Natural Gas has identified a basket of strategies inter-alia including primarily increasing domestic production of oil and gas and promoting biofuels/alternate fuels with a view to achieve reduction in import of crude oil. Government has also taken a number of initiatives to encourage the use of alternative fuels like ethanol and bio-diesel through Ethanol Blending in Petrol (EBP) Programme and Bio-diesel blending in diesel. Government has formulated a National Bio Fuel Policy 2018 to boost availability of biofuels in country. To give a major thrust to Ethanol Blending Programme, Oil CPSEs are establishing twelve 2G Ethanol plants across 11 States of the country.

(f) As per resolution dated 08.11.2019 regarding authorization to market transportation fuel, the authorized entities, in addition to conventional fuels, are required to install facilities for marketing at least one new generation alternate fuels like Compressed Natural Gas (CNG), bio-fuels, Liquefied Natural Gas (LNG), electric vehicle charging points etc. at their proposed retail outlets (RO) within three years of operationalization of the said outlet subject to the entity complying with various other statutory guidelines. Also, as on 31.08.2020, PSU Oil Marketing Companies have set up Electric Charging facilities at 110 retail outlets and Battery Swapping Stations at 17 retail outlets in the country.

Annexure referred to in Reply to part (b) of the Lok Sabha Unstarred Question No 1352 for 19.09.2020 regarding Reduction in Import of Oil.

I. Details of Excise duty on non GST goods

S. No.	Commodity	Basic Excise Duty	Special Additional Excise Duty	Road & Infrastructure Cess	Total Central Excise Duty
1	Crude Petroleum Oil	Rs 1 per ton excise duty + Cess @20% + Rs.50/ MT as NCCD	--	--	Rs 1 per tonne excise duty + Cess @20% + Rs.50/ MT as NCCD
2	Natural Gas [other than compressed natural gas]	Nil	--	--	Nil
3	Compressed Natural Gas	14%	--	--	14%
4	Petrol (Unbranded)	Rs. 2.98/ltr	Rs. 12.00/ltr	Rs. 18.00/ltr	Rs. 32.98/ltr
5	High Speed Diesel (Unbranded)	Rs. 4.83/ltr	Rs.9.00/ltr	Rs. 18.00/ltr	Rs. 31.83/ltr
6	ATF	11% [2% for RCS flights]	--	--	11% [2% for RCS flights]

NCCD : National Calamity Contingent Duty

RCS: Regional Connectivity Scheme

II. Rates of GST on Other petroleum products

Commodity	GST	
LPG	Domestic	5.00%
	Non - Domestic	18.00%
Kerosene	PDS	5.00%
	Non PDS	18.00%
Naphtha	Fertilizer	18.00%
	Non- Fertilizer	18.00%
Bitumen & Asphalt, furnace oil, Lube, Pet coke etc		18.00%

