LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION No. 3317 TO BE ANSWERED ON 09th August, 2021

Agreement with International Expert for Biofuel

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

- (a) whether the Government has fixed any target for the generation of biofuel in the country including in Bihar;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government has signed any agreement with international experts for biofuel; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof including the fund sanctioned for the purpose in Bihar particularly for sugarmills for the generation of biofuel?

ANSWER

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

- (a) & (b): National Policy on Biofuels-2018 proposes an indicative target of 20% blending of ethanol in petrol and 5% blending of biodiesel in diesel by 2030 across the country including in Bihar.
- (c) & (d): Government of India has signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with Government of Brazil on 24th January 2020 on Bio-Energy Cooperation. The MoU provides a framework to cooperate, *inter-alia*, in biofuels, bio-electricity and biogas supply chain. India is a member of International Energy Agency's Technology Collaboration Programme (TCP) on Bio-Energy. This collaboration programme has been set up with the aim of improving collaboration and information exchange between countries that have national programme in bio-energy research, development and deployment. India has been attending these meetings and in the process getting benefit of the global development in the programme.
