

**LOK SABHA**  
**STARRED QUESTION No. 139**  
**TO BE ANSWERED ON 10<sup>th</sup> February, 2022**

**Import of Petroleum Products**

\*139. SHRIMATI BHAVANA PUNDALIKRAO GAWALI:  
SHRI SANJAY JADHAV:

**पेट्रोलियम और प्राकृतिक गैस मंत्री**

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

- (a) the details of the petroleum products imported and the total funds spent by the Government on import of the said products during each of the last three years and the current year as on date;
- (b) whether the country depends on foreign countries for the import of crude oil;
- (c) if so, the current percentage of the imported oil out of the total demand of crude oil in the country;
- (d) whether there has been a shortage in the international and domestic supply of petroleum and natural gas after Covid-19 pandemic;
- (e) if so, the extent to which improvement has been made in this regard; and
- (f) the details of the progress made since 2014 till date, to minimise dependency of the country on oil import by ten percent by 2022 as compared to the year 2015-16, year-wise?

**ANSWER**

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**(श्री हरदीप सिंह पुरी)**

**MINISTER OF PETROLEUM & NATURAL GAS**  
**(SHRI HARDEEP SINGH PURI)**

(a) to (f): A statement is laid on the Table of the House.

**Statement referred to in reply to parts (a) to (f) of Lok Sabha Starred Question No. 139 asked by Shrimati Bhavana Pundalikrao Gawali and Shri Sanjay Jadhav to be answered on 10<sup>th</sup> February, 2022 regarding “Import of Petroleum Products”.**

(a) The year-wise details of import of petroleum products (quantity as well as value) during the last three years and the current year are as below:-

Financial Year	Qty.	Value	
	Million Tonne	Billion US\$	₹ Crore
2018-19	33.3	16.3	113665
2019-20	43.8	17.7	125742
2020-21	43.2	14.8	109430
2021-22 (Apr-Dec) (P)	30.4	17.6	131265
Source: Petroleum Planning & Analysis Cell, (P): Provisional			

(b) & (c) India imports crude oil from various geographical regions like Middle-East, Africa, Europe, North America, South America and South-East Asia. The import dependency (%) of crude oil based on consumption of petroleum products during the current year financial year (April-Dec,21) is 85.1%.

(d) & (e) No Sir. Does not arise.

(f) Ministry of Petroleum and Natural Gas works in collaboration with various Central Government Ministries/State Governments/stakeholders to make efforts to achieve reduction in import dependency on oil. Since 2014, Government has taken multiple steps to reduce country’s oil import dependency through refinery process improvements and various policies under Production Sharing Contract (PSC) regime, Discovered Small Field Policy, Hydrocarbon Exploration and Licensing Policy, Setting up of National Data Repository, etc. Government has also provided functional freedom to National Oil Companies and wider private sector participation by streamlining approval processes including electronic single window mechanism.

Government has launched National Biofuel Policy, 2018, to boost availability of biofuels in country and use of alternative fuels like ethanol, bio-diesel and bio-CNG through Ethanol Blending, Bio-diesel blending and Sustainable Alternative Towards Affordable Transportation (SATAT) initiative respectively.

A Committee was constituted by the Government for “Preparing a roadmap to reduce the dependency on import in energy by 10% by 2021-22”. The report submitted by Committee was accepted by the Government which envisages five-pronged strategy broadly comprises of increasing domestic production of oil and gas, promoting energy efficiency and conservation measures, giving thrust on demand substitution, capitalizing untapped potential in biofuels and other alternate fuels/ renewable and implementing measures for refinery process improvements.

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