LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION No. 785 TO BE ANSWERED ON 21st July, 2022

Crude Oil Import

785. SHRI KUNWAR PUSHPENDRA SINGH CHANDEL:

पेट्रोलियम और प्राकृतिक गैस मंत्री

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

(a) whether refined oil is also being imported in the country along with the crude oil;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefore; and

(c) the steps being taken by the Government for the smooth distribution of petrol in the country by the private companies?

ANSWER पेट्रोलियम और प्राकृतिक गैस मंत्रालय में राज्**य मंत्री** (श्री रामेश्**वर तेली**)

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

(a) & (b) Presently, the country is self-sufficient in refining capacity. Indian refineries are fully prepared to meet the future demand of petrol, diesel and other major petroleum products. Oil PSUs do however occasionally import Motor Spirit (MS), High Speed Diesel (HSD), etc. to meet specific regional and temporal supply-demand deficit due to reduction in production owing to refinery maintenance and other factors.

The details of import of Petroleum Oil Lubricants (POL) products during the last three years are at Annexure.

(c) Government vide notification dated 17.06.2022 has extended Universal Service Obligation to all Retail Outlets (ROs) which inter-alia includes the obligation of private companies for maintaining supplies of MS & HSD to retail consumers.

ANNEXURE REFFERED TO IN REPLY TO PART (a) & (b) OF LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.785 ASKED BY SHRI KUNWAR PUSHPENDRA SINGH CHANDEL

| | | | (Figures in MMT) |
|----------------|---------|---------|------------------|
| PRODUCT | 2019-20 | 2020-21 | 2021-22 (P) |
| LPG | 14.8 | 16.5 | 17.1 |
| MS | 2.1 | 1.4 | 0.7 |
| Naphtha | 1.7 | 1.2 | 1.2 |
| ATF | 0.1 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| SKO | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| HSD | 2.8 | 0.6 | 0.1 |
| LOBS/ Lube oil | 2.7 | 2.7 | 3.1 |
| Fuel Oil | 4.6 | 6.5 | 9.0 |
| Bitumen | 1.6 | 2.1 | 2.5 |
| Others* | 13.4 | 12.4 | 6.9 |
| TOTAL | 43.8 | 43.2 | 40.5 |

Source: Petroleum Planning & Analysis Cell

P: Provisional

MMT: Million Metric Tonne

*Others imports include Petcoke, Paraffin wax, Petroleum Jelly, Aviation Gas, MTBE, Reformate etc.
