

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.4552
TO BE ANSWERED ON 27.03.2025

Allotment of New Petrol Pumps in Uttar Pradesh

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पेट्रोलियम एवं प्राकृतिक गैस मंत्री

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

- (a) the details of the present scheme for allocation of new petrol pumps across the country, State/UT-wise;
- (b) the total number of petrol pumps proposed and allocated in Uttar Pradesh during the last five years and the current year, year-wise;
- (c) the prescribed criteria and guidelines for the allocation of new petrol pumps, including eligibility, location selection and other relevant factors;
- (d) the total number of petrol pumps closed in Uttar Pradesh during the last five years and the current year and the reasons therefor; and
- (e) the steps taken/being taken to ensure the availability of petrol pumps in remote, rural and underserved areas to meet the needs of the people?

ANSWER

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MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS

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(a) to (e) Subsequent to dismantling of Administered Pricing Mechanism (APM) w.e.f. 1.4.2002, the selection/cancellation of Retail Outlet (RO) dealers is done by Public Sector Oil Marketing Companies (OMCs) themselves.

Expansion of RO network (in urban/rural) by PSU OMCs is a continuous process to ensure adequate availability of motor fuels such as petrol & diesel throughout the country. ROs are set up by PSU OMCs at identified locations based on field survey and feasibility studies. Locations having sufficient potential and which are economically viable are rostered in the Marketing Plans for setting up ROs. The selection of RO dealerships is done by PSU OMCs through public advertisement followed by online process of draw of lots/bidding amongst eligible applicants as per extant laid down procedures. Detailed Criteria/Guidelines for allotment of RO dealerships in the country are available at www.petrolpumpdealerchayan.in/petrol-2023/.

As on 01.03.2025, PSU OMCs have a network of 11,413 ROs in Uttar Pradesh including 4,757 ROs in rural and remote areas.

PSU OMCs have released advertisement in June & July, 2023 for selection of RO dealers across the country including Uttar Pradesh. Under the said advertisement, Letter of Intent (LOI) has been issued in respect of 3,534 ROs in Uttar Pradesh out of which 558 ROs have been commissioned as on 01.03.2025.

Details of total number of ROs commissioned by PSU OMCs in Uttar Pradesh during the last five years (2019-20 to 2023-24) and the current year (April-February, 2025) are as under :-

PSU OMCs	2019-20	2020-21	2021-22	2022-23	2023-24	2024-25 (Apr-Feb 25)	Total
		458	1124	863	589	586	844

PSU OMCs have informed that as on 01/03/2025, there are 305 temporarily non-operational ROs in the state of Uttar Pradesh which have been non-operational on account of various factors such as dealers finance issues, suspension of trade licenses, family dispute, low sales, dispute between partners etc.
