### GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM & NATURAL GAS LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO- 5388 TO BE ANSWERED ON- 03<sup>rd</sup> April, 2025

### SAKSHAM IN TELANGANA

5388 Shri Arvind Dharmapuri:

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

- a) the steps taken by the Government to promote fuel efficiency and sustainable energy practices under SAKSHAM in Telangana;
- b) whether the Government has partnered with State Transport Corporations, industrial sectors and local bodies in Telangana to implement SAKSHAM initiatives for reducing fuel consumption and if so, the details thereof;
- c) the details of funds allocated and utilized under the scheme since its inception, year and State/UT-wise;
- d) the impact of SAKSHAM campaigns on fuel consumption trends in Telangana, particularly in urban areas like Hyderabad and Nizamabad; and
- e) whether any measurable outcomes have been recorded and if so, the details thereof?

## ANSWER पेट्रोलियम और प्राकृतिक गैस मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री सुरेश गोपी)

## MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI SURESH GOPI)

- a) to e) SAKSHAM is an annual flagship event which is a fuel conservation campaign aimed at reducing fuel consumption in India. Various activities are being held in states including Telangana which inter-alia include:
  - i. Group talks in Schools and Colleges
  - ii. Cycle rallies/Mass Rallies
  - iii. Debates in schools
  - iv. LPG Panchayats
  - v. Walkathons
  - vi. Group Talks at Retail Outlets
  - vii. Workshops in Industrial sectors & State Transport units
  - viii. Article Writing Competitions for Newspaper agencies
  - ix. Free PUC check of vehicles
  - x. Wall paintings for awareness creation etc.

In the state of Telangana, workshops for drivers were conducted collaborating with State Transport Corporation and best performing drivers were recognised during the year 2024-25. Technical workshops were also conducted in collaboration with Industrial Sector along with an awareness program specific to Secunderabad Lubes.

SAKSHAM was administered by Petroleum Conservation Research Association (PCRA) till its dissolution in 2023. Since then, Oil Marketing Companies (OMCs) are carrying out the SAKSHAM activities. The details of funds allocated and utilized under the scheme state/UTs wise, as managed by OMCs, is at Annexure-I.

As regards to the impact on fuel consumption trends in Telangana including urban cities like Hyderabad and Nizamabad area, efforts are made on an ongoing basis to increase awareness amongst the people for fuel efficiency and sustainable energy practices. This supports adoption of better driving practices to achieve fuel savings including in Hyderabad, Nizamabad, Warangal etc., where numerous city bus services are extended to public for their day to day commute. SAKSHAM as an awareness campaign was mandatedto convince consumers to switch to cleaner fuels and bring in behavioural change to use fossil fuels intelligently. No structured study has been conducted in this regard so far.

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# ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (c) OF LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 5388 TO BE ANSWERED ON 03.04.2025 REGARDING SAKSHAM IN TELANGANA

Details of funds allocated and utilized under the scheme for FY 2023-24 and FY 2024-25 (till 28.03.2025)

(Rs. In Lacs)
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	2023-24		2024-25 (till 28.03.2025)	
State/UT	Alloted funds	Utilized funds	Alloted funds	Utilized funds
Delhi	31	36	37	30
Haryana	32	30	24	18
Punjab	65	51	52	33
Jammu & Kashmir	13	8	14	4
Ladakh	4	2	5	1
Himachal Pradesh	13	7	7	3
Rajasthan	50	39	52	30
Uttar Pradesh	180	119	119	45
Uttarakhand	26	17	30	2
West Bengal	49	54	53	11
Sikkim	5	3	3	1
Odisha	47	29	42	9
Bihar	38	37	36	13
Jharkhand	30	21	29	7
Gujarat	47	43	42	24
Dadra & Nagar Haveli	6	3	6	1
Daman & Diu	5	3	5	1
Maharashtra	222	105	139	47
Goa	10	5	13	3
Madhya Pradesh	51	34	43	11
Chattisgarh	16	11	15	4
Tamil Nadu	133	113	78	48
Pondicherry	8	7	7	4
Kerala	26	32	32	20
Karnataka	70	54	60	41
Telangana	60	53	106	31
Andhra Pradesh	89	56	100	56
Arunachal Pradesh	3	1	3	2
Assam	18	9	12	7
Nagaland	4	2	5	2
Mizoram	2	1	2	2
Megahalaya	3	1	3	2

Manipur	3	1	3	2
Tripura	2	1	2	1
Separate Budget head for TVC & Radio	500	102	700	683
Total	1861	1089	1880	1197

Source – Indian Oil Corporation Limited (IOCL), Bharat Petroleum Corporation Limited (BPCL) and Hindustan Petroleum Corporation Limited (HPCL).