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ETHANOL BLENDING IN PETROLEUM PRODUCTS

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पेट्रोलियम और प्राकृतिक गैस मंत्री

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

- (a) the details of benefits accrued from the blending of ethanol in petroleum products every year;
- (b) whether the Government has any plan to pass on the financial benefit accrued from ethanol blending to the consumers by reducing the prices of petroleum products; and
- (c) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

ANSWER

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(a) to (c): Government have been promoting blending of ethanol in petrol under the Ethanol Blended Petrol (EBP) Programme with multiple objectives. As a green fuel, Ethanol supports the environmental sustainability efforts of the Government. It reduces import dependence on crude oil while saving foreign exchange and promotes domestic agriculture sector. EBP Programme has resulted in expeditious payment to farmers of more than Rs.1,21,000 crore from Ethanol Supply Year (ESY) 2014-15 up to June 2025, besides savings of more than Rs.1,40,000 crore of foreign exchange, net CO₂ reduction of about 717 lakh metric tonne and substitution of more than 238 lakh metric tonnes of crude oil.

Further, the price of petrol (including ethanol blended petrol) has been market determined with effect from 26.06.2010. Since then, Oil Marketing Companies (OMCs) take appropriate decision on pricing of petrol based on international products prices and domestic market conditions.
