

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS  
LOK SABHA

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Ethanol Blended Petrol Programme

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- (a) whether the Ethanol Blended Petrol (EBP) Programme is still functioning in the country and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether there are plans to scale up blending beyond ten per cent and if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor; and
- (c) whether the Government has any plan to increase ethanol procurement from farmers and if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

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

**ANSWER**

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

(a) to (c): Public Sector Oil Marketing Companies (OMCs) have achieved over 10% ethanol blending in petrol during Ethanol Supply Year (ESY) 2021-22. Government has amended the National Policy on Biofuels – 2018 which has advanced the target of 20% blending of ethanol in petrol to ESY 2025-26 from 2030. The required ethanol quantity from sugarcane and grain based feedstocks for blending under this Programme is accordingly procured by OMCs from registered bidders/suppliers.

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