

[Translation]

Import of L.P.G. and Kerosene

2169. SHRI RAMNIHORE RAI : Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state :

(a) the names of the companies in private sector in the country permitted to import L.P.G. and Kerosene alongwith the quantity thereof;

(b) whether private companies are importing L.P.g. and Kerosene at a less price than that by public sector companies; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (CAPT. SATISH KUMAR SHARMA) : (a) Under the Parallel Marketing System, private agencies have been allowed to import LPG and kerosene and to sell them at market determined prices. They are not required to obtain any permission from the Ministry of Petroleum & Natural Gas for this purpose. However, they will have to obtain necessary approvals under the relevant Acts and Rules regarding safety, pollution control etc. as applicable.

(b) and (c) The details of the price at which these products are imported by private agencies are not maintained by the Government.

Neelam Project of O.N.G.C.

[English]

2170. S H R I SOBHANADREESWARA RAO VADDE : Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state :

(a) whether O.N.G.C.'s Neelam project has been commissioned recently;

(b) if so, the salient features thereof and

the total estimated cost of the project;

(c) the cost of materials and labour separately; and

(d) the steps being taken for completion of the project on schedule?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (CAPT. SATISH KUMAR SHARMA) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The handling capacity of the project is :-

Oil	12000 BOPD
Gas	2.6 MMSCMD
Water	229000 BWPD

Peak production from the project shall be 4.5 MMTPA of oil and 1.8 MMSCMD of gas.

The estimated cost of the project approved by Govt. is Rs. 3541.85 crores.

(c) The project was executed on turn-key basis at a lumpsum price.

(d) Does not arise.

L.P.G. Connections In M.P.

[Translation]

2171. SHRI SHIVRAJ SINGH CHAUHAN : Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state :

(a) the number of L.P.G. agencies functioning at present in Madhya Pradesh;

(b) the number of L.P.G. connections issued during last three years in the State; and