

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS  
LOK SABHA**

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LPG DEMAND FROM DOMESTIC PRODUCTION  
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**Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the Government has decided to meet LPG demand from domestic production after successfully meeting the demand of Petrol and Diesel in the country from domestic production ;
- (b) if so, the facts thereof ;
- (c) whether the Government has ascertained the reasons which are creating hindrance in production to meet the present demand of LPG from domestic production and to increase the LPG production in the country ;
- (d) if so, the reasons therefor ; and
- (e) the time limit fixed for the production to meet the demand in the country ?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF PETROLEUM & NATURAL GAS & PANCHAYATI RAJ ( SHRI MANI SHANKAR AIYAR )

- (a) & (b) : The current quantum of LPG available from indigenous sources is not adequate to meet the demand in the country. The shortfall between supply and demand of LPG is met through imports.
- (c) to (e) : All refineries in the country are making efforts to maximise LPG production. The current production pattern from processing of crude oil is not adequate to meet the high LPG demand. However, Research and Development efforts are on to explore possibilities of increasing LPG production from surplus products like Naptha and Heavy ends.