

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

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SELLING OF MARKER KEROSENE
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Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government proposes to sell Kerosene with markers to check adulteration of subsidized kerosene in diesel;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the time by which the sale of marker kerosene is likely to be started?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM & NATURAL GAS (SHRI DINSHA PATEL)

(a) to (c): The public sector oil marketing companies (OMCs) propose to implement the Marker System in Kerosene all over the country by 1st October 2006. Under the proposed system, the marker will be dosed in kerosene at the supply locations of OMCs. The samples of diesel/petrol would be drawn to detect whether the same have been adulterated with the marked kerosene. In case of detection, necessary punitive action would be taken by the OMCs.