

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF CORPORATE AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.2188
ANSWERED ON THURSDAY, THE 22ND AUGUST, 2013
[SRAVANA 31, 1935 (SAKA)]**

CARTELISATION BY OIL COMPANIES

QUESTION

**2188. SHRI EKNATH M. GAIKWAD:
SHRI A. GANESHAMURTHI:
SHRI ANAND PRAKASH PARANJPE:
SHRI B. B. PATIL:**

**Will the Minister of CORPORATE AFFAIRS कारपोरेट कार्य मंत्री
be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether Competition Commission of India has started any investigation into the alleged cartelisation by oil marketing companies in fixing petrol prices;**
- (b) if so, the details thereof including the names of oil companies being probed;**
- (c) whether the Government has fixed any time-frame to complete the investigations; and**
- (d) if so, the details thereof?**

ANSWER

**THE MINISTER OF STATE
(INDEPENDENT CHARGE)
IN THE MINISTRY OF CORPORATE AFFAIRS**

(SHRI SACHIN PILOT)

कारपोरेट कार्य मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (स्वतंत्र प्रभार)

(श्री सचिन पायलट)

(a) & (b) Yes, Madam. The Competition Commission of India (CCI) has taken *suo moto* cognizance of prima facie anti-competitive behavior of

certain Oil Marketing Companies, namely, Indian Oil Corporation Limited, Hindustan Petroleum Corporation Limited and Bharat Petroleum Corporation Limited and has referred the matter to Director General, CCI for investigation.

(c) & (d) The CCI has given time upto 2nd October, 2013 to DG, CCI to submit the investigation report.
