

(c) to what extent it has been beneficial?

**THE MINISTER OF PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS (SHRI M.S. GURUPADASWAMY):** (a) to (c). The Plast India Foundation, in association with NOWEA International (Federal Republic of Germany), organised a plastic exhibition (India's first international plastic exhibition and conference) at Pragati Maidan, New Delhi from 1st March to 7th March, 1990 with expert participation from Federal Republic of Germany, Italy, U.K., Netherlands, Spain, Canada, USA, S. Korea, Switzerland, Belgium, France, Yugoslavia, Brazil, S. Arabia, Qatar, Singapore, Hong Kong, Japan, Thailand, Australia and Portugal. The main objective of the exhibition was orderly development and growth of Indian plastic industry with special reference to exports. The exhibition has provided a very useful interaction for our experts which will go a long way in developing the available potential of plastic applications.

**Refining of Crude Oil BY I.O.C. Refineries**

1244. **SHRI DHARMESH PRASAD VARMA:**  
**SHRI SHANTILAL PURUSHOTTAM DAS PATEL:**

Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Indian Oil Corporation has chalked out a concrete plan to refine additional crude in its three eastern sector refineries;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the extent to which the refining capacity of oil will be increased?

**THE MINISTER OF PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS (SHRI M.S. GURUPADASWAMY):** (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The crude processing level at Guwahati refinery is proposed to be raised from 0.85 to 1.00 MTPA from 1991-92. The crude processing level at the Barauni refinery is proposed to be raised from 3.3 to 3.8 MTPA from 1993-94. The crude processing level at the Digboi refinery is proposed to be raised from 0.5 to 0.65 MTPA during 1993-94.

(c) The total increase in refining capacity through the above mentioned proposals is expected to be 0.8 MTPA.

**Oil Refinery and Petrochemical Project at Mangalore**

1245. **SHRI S.T. PATIL:**  
**SHRI R. GUNDU RAO:**  
**SHRI JANARDHANA POOJARY:**  
**SHRI SRIKANTHA DATTA NARASIMHA RAJA WADIYAR:**

Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS be pleased to state:

(a) whether any target date was fixed for giving approval to refinery and Petro Chemicals (MRPL) Project at Mangalore as per the terms and conditions of memorandum of understanding between Government and the Project authorities;

(b) if so, the details thereof and whether the target date could be adhered to;

(c) if not, the reasons therefor; and

(d) the present position in regard to the clearance of this Project?

**THE MINISTER OF PETROLEUM AND**

CHEMICALS (SHRI M.S. GURUPADASWAMY): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c). The approval was to be accorded within 3 months of the receipt of Detailed Project Report by the Government of India, or such extended period as may be agreed to by the parties to the Memorandum of Understanding. The target date could not be adhered to as the proposal required detailed examination by the Government.

(d) The project is under the consideration of the Government.

#### **Energisation of Pump Sets**

1246. SHRI RAM SAGAR (Saidpur): Will the Minister of ENERGY be pleased to state:

(a) the target fixed to energise the pumpsets during 1989-90 so far, State-wise;

(b) the measures taken to achieve the targets;

(c) whether the targets fixed were achieved;

(d) if so, the details thereof, State-wise;

(e) if not, the reasons therefor; and

(f) the targets fixed for 1990-91, State-wise?

THE MINISTER OF ENERGY AND MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI ARIF MOHAMMAD KHAN): (a) to (f). Based on the information supplied by the Central Electricity Authority, a statement indicating the State-wise targets fixed for energisation of pumpsets during 1989-90 and progress achieved upto 31.1.1990 is given in the statement below. The State Electricity Boards are regularly reminded to achieve the targets. The State-wise targets for the energisation of pumpsets during 1990-91 would depend on availability of funds and other inputs.