

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

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GAS CRACKER PROJECT IN JOINT VENTURE WITH RELIANCE  
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**Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether a Rs.4,000 crore gas cracker project is to be set up in joint sector with Reliance as the main collaborator;
- (b) if so, the details of the project indicating its production capacity, bio-products and the cost item-wise;
- (c) whether the collaboration agreements so far has been signed; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS(SHRI SANTOSH KUMAR GANGWAR)

(a)&(b) The joint venture of the Assam Industrial Development Corporation, an Undertaking of State Government of Assam and Reliance Assam Petrochemicals Limited (RAPL) is in the process of implementing the Assam Gas Cracker Project at an estimated cost of Rs.3600 crore, with production capacity of 3 lakh tonnes of Ethylene per annum. The project is expected to be commissioned in 44 months after finalisation of the Feedstock Supply Agreements and acquisition of land.

(c) & (d) Feedstock Supply Agreement between Oil India Limited (OIL) and RAPL has been signed on 19.10.2000 for supply of natural gas at a price of Rs.600 per thousand standard cubic meters to this project for 15 years. RAPL is negotiating a similar Agreement with Oil and Natural Gas Corporation Limited(ONGC)