

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

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:4033  
ANSWERED ON:18.04.2002  
CONVERSION OF KANDLA BHATINDA CRUDE OIL PIPELINE  
VILAS BABURAO MUTTEMWAR

**Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether Indian Oil Corporation Limited propose to convert the Kandla-Bhatinda product pipeline into a crude oil pipeline; and
- (b) if so, the benefit to be achieved as a result thereof?

**Answer**

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

(a) Yes, Sir.

(b) As per Indian Oil Corporation Limited, proposed conversion of Kandla-Bhatinda product pipeline into crude oil pipeline will result into saving in the capital investment and the time period for putting up facilities required for transportation of 6 million metric tonnes per annum (MMTPA) of additional crude oil required for the expansion of Panipat refinery from the existing capacity of 6 MMTPA to 12 MMTPA.