

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

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:689  
ANSWERED ON:18.07.2002  
OIL REFINERY AT PARADEEP IN ORISSA  
PRASANNA ACHARYA

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

- (a) the present status of Oil Refinery Project of Indian Oil Corporation Limited at Paradeep in Orissa.
- (b) whether the construction work has slowed down at the project site because the oil major has sought the expert opinion on the viability of the project; and
- (c) if so, the reasons therefor?

**Answer**

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OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRI SANTOSH KUMAR GANGWAR)

(a) to (c): Possession of 3347 acre of land has been taken over by Indian Oil Corporation Limited (IOC). Land development by dredging and reclamation, construction of bridges and construction of approach road connecting NH-5A to refinery site have been completed. Balance infrastructure works like construction of boundary wall, plant roads, drains, site office, facilities for construction water / power supply etc. are in progress.

Presently the project is under review by the company for its schedules taking into account the revised project cost, demand - supply projections of petroleum products in the country and ICICI's appraisal report for the project.