

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

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:570  
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OIL REFINERY AT PARADEEP  
BHARTRUHARI MAHTAB;KUMUDINI PATNAIK;PARSURAM MAJHI

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

- (a) whether the Government is going ahead with the construction of Paradeep Oil Refinery;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether Government of Orissa has agreed for tax concession which had delayed the project
- (d) if so, the present cost and capacity of the refinery; and
- (e) the time by which it is likely to start commercial production?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM & NATURAL GAS (SHRIMATI SUMITRA MAHAJAN)

- (a) & (b): IOCL is committed to implement the Paradip refinery project in a phased manner depending upon growth in product demand.
- (c): The original tax incentives, approved by the Government of Orissa in 1998-99, have not been restored.
- (d): The estimated cost of the 9 million metric tonnes per annum (MMTPA) refinery is Rs.12,400 crore at October,2001 prices.
- (e): The time schedule for implementing the project is under review by IOCL.