

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

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PETROL PUMPS IN ORISSA
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Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

the number of new Petrol Pumps likely to be set up during 2003-2004 in Orissa, location-wise?

Answer

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

After the dismantling of the Administered Pricing Mechanism (APM) in the petroleum sector with effect from 1.4.2002, the oil marketing companies have freedom to choose locations for setting up of new retail outlets dealerships (petrol pumps) in various parts of the country, including the State of Orissa provided the locations meet certain norms like commercial viability and non-encroachment of the existing dealerships.