

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

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EXPANSION OF REFINERIES

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

- (a) Whether the Government has formulated any action plan for expansion of refineries and enhancement of refining capacity of petroleum products in the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether Rajasthan Refinery is proposed to be upgraded;
- (d) if so, the details thereof;
- (e) whether there is a increase in the export of petroleum products due to the enhancement of refining capacity of public sector oil companies;and
- (f) If so, the details of the export of petroleum products made during the last three years and the current year ?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS(SHRI DINSHA PATEL)

(a) & (b): The refinery sector was delicensed in June,1998,a refinery can be set up anywhere in India by private or public sector enterprises depending on the promoters' assessment of its viability. Companies in both public and private sector,have proposed to set up new refineries/increase the capacity of existing refineries.Company wise details of the location, capacity/increase in capacity of the refineries are given in the Annex.

(c) & (d): Since there is no refinery in Rajasthan currently,the question of upgradation does not arise.

(e) & (f): Details of refining capacity and export of petroleum products by PSU oil companies for the last three years and for the current year (upto August,2008) are given as under:

2005-06 2006-07 2007-08 2008-09

PSU Refining Capacity 94.37 99.47 105.47 105.47

(MMTPA) #

PSU Export (MMT)## 10.66 12.76 12.85 4.20 (P)
(Apr.-Aug.)

Million Metric Tonnes Per Annum ## Million Metric Tonnes P - Provisional