

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

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PARADEEP-HALDIA PIPELINE PROJECT
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Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the pipeline project from Paradeep to Haldia has been completed;
- (b) if so, the details and the advantages thereof ; and
- (c) the details of the projected time by which Paradeep Oil Refinery is likely to be completed ?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI JITIN PRASADA)

(a) & (b) : Yes, Madam. The pipeline project of Indian Oil Corporation Limited (IOCL) from Paradip to Haldia has been completed in December, 2008, and currently, the pipeline is in operation.

The project consists of installation of crude oil handling facilities at Paradip Port including laying 48" diameter, 20 kms offshore pipeline, development of tank farm at Paradip consisting of 15x60,000 kL crude oil storage tanks and laying 30" diameter, 330 km long crude oil pipeline from Paradip to HBCPL Haldia.

The pipeline is facilitating transportation of crude oil to Haldia and Barauni refineries in an efficient and cost-effective manner compared to the earlier system of receipt of crude oil through the Haldia Dock Complex.

(c) : Board of Directors of IOCL have accorded investment approval to the 15 MMTPA Paradip Refinery project in February, 2009 with a progressive completion and stabilization schedule from March, 2012 to November, 2012.