

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

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EXPANSION/ UPGRADATION OF OIL REFINERIES
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Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

- (a) the present status of the ongoing oil refineries in the country;
- (b) whether the Government proposes to revise the estimate cost of refineries and also for expansion of some refineries;
- (c) if so, the revised estimate cost of Paradeep Oil Refinery;
- (d) the specific proposals mooted for the expansion of Paradeep Oil Refinery and the target date fixed for the commencement of its commercial production; and
- (e) the total installed capacity of Paradeep Oil Refinery and demand for various refined petroleum products in the country?

Answer

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

- (a) At present, there are 20 oil refineries in the county, 17 in Public Sector and 3 in Private Sector with a total refining capacity of 177.97 MMTPA.
- (b) The cost of refinery projects including expansion of refineries is approved by the Board of respective Public Sector Undertakings implementing the projects.
- (c) and (d) Indian Oil Corporation Board has accorded approval for implementation of 15 MMTPA grassroot refinery at Paradip in February, 2009, at a revised estimated cost of Rs, 29,777 crore. The schedule for completion of project is progressively from March, 2012 to July, 2012 with full stabilization of the refinery by November, 2012.
- (e) The installed capacity of Paradip Refinery will be 15 MMTPA. The demand for petroleum products during the year 2008-09 is estimated at 133.4 MMT (Provisional). The above consumption includes petroleum products imported by private companies also.