

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

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SETTING UP OF SUGAR MILLS BY HFCL IN BIHAR
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Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Hindustan Petroleum Corporation Limited has announced to establish sugar mills in Champaran district of Bihar recently which have still not materialized ;
- (b) if so, the reason for the delay along with the current status thereof;
- (c) the time by which sugar mills are likely to be operationalised ; and
- (d) the steps being taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI R P N SINGH)

(a) to (d) Hindustan Petroleum Corporation Limited (HPCL) had taken over two sick sugar mills located in Champaran area of Bihar i.e. in Sugauli in East Champaran District and Lauriya in West Champaran District from the State Government of Bihar in January, 2009 through a competitive bidding process. The expected date of commissioning of the sugar plant at Sugauli is by the end of February, 2011 and the plant at Lauriya is by 15th March, 2011.