

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

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INCREASE OF REFINING CAPACITY
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Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether there is any plan to increase refining capacity of crude oil in the country in coming years;
- (b) if so, the extent to which the total refining capacity is likely to be achieved in the coming five years alongwith the details of refining capacity of oil refineries of public and private sectors separately;
- (c) whether the said refining capacity is likely to be more than the consumption of petroleum products in the country; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI S. JAPIAL REDDY)

(a) and (b): At present, the refining capacity of the oil refineries in the country is 193.386 Million Metric Tonnes Per Annum(MMTPA). It is projected that refining capacity of the country will reach upto 310.86 MMTPA in coming five years (by 2016-17), as per draft report of Working Group on Refinery for XIth Plan. Details are given in the Annexure.

(c) and (d): The refining capacity is more than the indigenous consumption of petroleum products. Therefore, refined petroleum products are exported.

Details of refinery capacity and consumption is given as under:

Year	Refining Capacity (At the beginning of the year) (MMT)	Indigenous consumption (MMT)
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2010-11	183.4	141.80
2011-12	193.4	148.28
2016-17	310.9	186.80