

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

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PRODUCTION CAPACITY OF OIL REFINERIES

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

- (a) the details of annual production capacity of Public Sector oil refineries in the country during the last three years and the current year;
- (b) whether the domestic demand of petro products has been fully met during the said period;
- (c) if not, the details of shortfall in production and measures taken including imports to meet the domestic consumption; and
- (d) the extent to which capacity expansion of oil refineries through upgradation will help reducing import bill of the country?

Answer

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

(a) Annual installed Refining Capacity of Public Sector Undertaking refineries for the last three years and the current year is as under:

Year	Installed Capacity (MMTPA)
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2006-07	99.5
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2007-08	105.47
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2008-09	105.47
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2009-10	105.47
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Capacity as on 1st April of the financial year

(b) & (c) Overall, the country has been surplus in petroleum products during the last three years. However, wherever there has been shortfall in products, namely, LPG, Kerosene (SKO), Lubes and other minor products, the same has been met through imports. The figures of product wise consumption, production, surplus/deficit for the last three years are given at Annexure-I.

(d) The Public Sector Oil Companies have been undertaking refinery upgradation projects for capacity expansion and to optimize the production of value added products. The value added products optimization will result in increase in distillate yield and hence, reduction in import bill.