GOVERNMENT OF INDIA PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS LOK SABHA

STARRED QUESTION NO:312 ANSWERED ON:14.12.2012 REFINING CAPACITY OF PUBLIC SECTOR REFINERIES Deka Shri Ramen;Mahendrasinh Shri Chauhan

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

(a) Whether the Government proposes to enhance the production capacity of certain refineries in the public sector, particularly the Numaligarh Refinery Ltd. in Assam and the Mangalore Refinery and Petrochemicals Limited (MRPL);

(b) if so, the details thereof including their optimal production capacity and actual capacity utilization, refinery-wise;

(c) whether the Government is emphasising on export of petroleum products; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF PETROLEUM & NATURAL GAS (Dr. M. VEERAPPA MOILY)

(a) to (d): A statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (d) OF LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO.312 BY SHRI RAMEN DEKA AND DR. MAHENDRASINH P. CHAUHAN TO BE ANSWERED ON 14TH DECEMBER, 2012 REGARDING REFINING CAPACITY OF PUBLIC SECTOR REFINERIES

(a) to (d): Consequent on de-licensing of refinery sector since June, 1998, a refinery can be set up anywhere in India or its capacity augmented by a Private or Public Sector Enterprise depending on techno-commercial viability. The details regarding present capacity, capacity utilization and expansion plans of public sector refineries is given in Annexure. In case of Numaligarh Refinery Limited capacity is envisaged to increase from 3 MMTPA to 8 MMTPA by 2016-17. For Mangalore Refinery and Petrochemicals Limited (MRPL), the capacity increase is envisaged to be from 15 MMTPA to 18 MMTPA by 2016-17.

Decision on exports of petroleum products is taken by individual companies on commercial considerations. Since 2001-02 country is surplus in production of petroleum products vis-Ã -vis domestic consumption. Surplus petroleum products are being exported and the trend of petroleum product exports by oil companies (both PSU and Private) during the last three years is as under:

Period Exports by Exports by Private Total Exports of Oil PSUs Oil Companies Petroleum Products

Quantity rs in Quantity rs in Quantity rs in (MMT) Crore (MMT) Crore (MMT) Crore

2009-10 14.5 3999 36.7 104603 51.2 144598

2010-11 15.3 48445 43.8 148416 59.1 196861

2011-12 16.4 6870 44.5 215937 60.9 284643

2012-13 7.3 34191 21.2 107673 28.5 141864(April-September)

(Source: PPAC) Provisional

Thus, country is not only self-sufficient in meeting its demand of petroleum products but also exported 60.9 MMT of petroleum products worth `2,84,643 crore during 2011-12.