

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

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

- (a) the production capacity of various refineries both in the public and private sectors at present, refinery-wise vis-À-vis their production capacity during the year 2004-05 along with the estimated capacity likely to be achieved by the year 2016;
- (b) whether the production capacity of the said refineries have been increasing constantly during the last few years and the production of various petroleum products therefrom is more than the requirement of the country;
- (c) if so, the details of production vis-À-vis the requirement of various petroleum products in the country during the year 2004-05 and 2013-14;
- (d) whether the production of petroleum products by processing crude oil in the country is an economically viable industry; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof along with the average annual profit earned by each of the public sector oil refineries during the last three years and the current year?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SMT. PANABAAGA LAKSHMI)

- (a) The total refining capacity of the country has increased by 68.87% from 127.356 MMTPA in 2004-05 to 215.066 MMTPA as on 1.4.2013. It is further projected to go up to 264.966 MMTPA by 2015-16. Refinery-wise capacity is given in Annexure-I.
- (b) and (c): Yes, Madam. Production capacity of the Indian refineries has been increasing constantly during the last few years. Details of production of various petroleum products vis-À-vis requirement of various products in the country during the year 2004-05 and 2013-14(estimated) are given in Annexure-II.
- (d) Yes, Madam. Processing of crude oil and production of petroleum products by refineries/oil companies are undertaken by them based on commercial consideration and viability assessment.
- (e) Profitability of the refineries is measured in terms of Gross Refining Margin (GRM) which is the difference between the cost of crude oil and the average price realized on the finished products. The average GRM of the companies during the 2009-10 to 2012-13 is given in Annexure-III.