

Title: Need to set up an oil refinery in Rajasthan.

SHRI DUSHYANT SINGH (JHALAWAR): The people of Rajasthan are very much agitated due to the delay in the establishment of Oil Refinery in the State. Large deposits of Oil and Gas have been discovered in that State and investment to the tune of Rs. 2573 crores has been made till date in the Oil and Gas exploration. The exploration has proved that there has been large reserves of petroleum, heavy oil and bitumen.

Most of the new Oil Refineries have been located in the Coastal Region. But the proposal to set up the Refinery in Rajasthan has not been considered so far. Now, HPCL has evinced keen interest in establishing Oil Refinery in Rajasthan with proposed investment of about 8,000 crores; at Lunkaransar, in Bikaner was identified for the location of the Refinery. The proposed Refinery will provide direct employment to at least 10,000 people and indirect employment to many more.

As such, in the interest of people of my State, I demand that the Oil refinery be set up in Rajasthan without further delay.