GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS

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UNSTARRED QUESTION NO-1882

ANSWERED ON- 17/03/2025

REFINERY EXPANSION AND INDUSTRIAL GROWTH IN ODISHA

1882. SHRI SUBHASISH KHUNTIA:

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

- (a) the details of expansion plans for the Indian Oil Corporation Limited (IOCL) refinery at Paradip, in the State of Odisha;
- (b) the number of downstream industries benefiting from the Paradip refinery's operations;
- (c) the initiatives taken to attract investment in the State of Odisha's petrochemical and energy sectors; and
- (d) the employment opportunities generated through petroleum and gas projects in the State?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM & NATURAL GAS (SHRI SURESH GOPI)

(a) to (d) The present refining capacity of Paradip Refinery of the Indian Oil Corporation Limited (IOCL) is 15.0 Million Metric Tons Per Annum (MMTPA). Presently, there is no proposal of expansion of refining capacity of Paradip Refinery. Expansion project/new projects relate to intermediate and downstream products of refinery which are utilized for petrochemicals. Refinery products and petrochemicals from the Paradip Refinery support the operations of various industries and Micro, Small & Medium Enterprises (MSMEs), including those in polymers, chemicals, cement, textiles, and others, both within the state of Odisha and across other parts of the country. IOCL in partnership with Odisha Industrial Infrastructure Development Corporation (IDCO), Odisha has established Paradip Plastic Park Limited (PPPL) for Polymer downstream units. IOCL has estimated that initiatives of downstream petrochemical and plastic plants have the potential to generate over 10,000 direct and indirect employment.
