

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS

RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.1733
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STRATEGIC PETROLEUM RESERVES

1733. SHRI A.D. SINGH:

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

- (a) the total storage capacity and present utilization level of Strategic Petroleum Reserves (SPRs) in the country;
- (b) the locations where new SPR facilities are being developed; and
- (c) whether Government proposes to enter into international partnerships to strengthen energy security and emergency crude supply mechanisms?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS

(SHRI SURESH GOPI)

(a) Government of India (GoI), through a Special Purpose Vehicle called Indian Strategic Petroleum Reserve Limited (ISPRL), has established Strategic Petroleum Reserves (SPR) facilities with total capacity of 5.33 Million Metric Tonnes (MMT) of crude oil at three locations namely (i) Vishakhapatnam (1.33 MMT), (ii) Mangaluru (1.5 MMT) and (iii) Padur (2.5 MMT) capacity. The quantity of the crude available in the caverns varies depending on prevailing market conditions.

(b) In July 2021, Government had also approved the establishment of two additional commercial-cum-strategic petroleum reserve facilities with total storage capacity of 6.5 MMT at Chandikhol (4 MMT) in Odisha and Padur (2.5 MMT) in Karnataka, on a Public Private Partnership mode.

(c) Government, from time to time, evaluate the possibility of augmentation of storage capacities based on technical and commercial feasibility. Assessment of new sites for establishing additional petroleum reserves is a continuous process.
