

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 5641
TO BE ANSWERED ON 2ND APRIL, 2018

IOCL PROJECT IN KERALA

5641. PROF. K.V. THOMAS :

पेट्रो लयम एवं प्राकृतिक गैस मंत्री

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

(a) whether the IOCL has started construction in Puthuvype Village in Kerala and if so, the details thereof along with the progress made in this regard; and

(b) whether there is any agitation/ opposition against the said project and if so, the details thereof along with the corrective steps taken/ being taken in this regard?

ANSWER

पेट्रो लयम एवं प्राकृतिक गैस मंत्री (श्री धर्मन्द्र प्रधान)

MINISTER OF PETROLEUM & NATURAL GAS
(SHRI DHARMENDRA PRADHAN)

(a) – Indian Oil Corporation Limited (IOCL) has started construction works for LPG Import Terminal at Puthuvypeen, Kerala. 40% of Storage Terminal works completed before suspension of works on 16.2.2017 due to sit-in protest by local people.

(b) – The local protestors have filed a case in NGT, Chennai alleging violation of conditions laid down in Environmental Clearance (EC). The NGT passed two interim orders one on 2.8.2016 and another on 13.4.2017 permitting IOCL to go ahead with the work pending final orders. NGT in its final judgment dated 22.12.2017 has given approval for continuing the construction work of LPG Import Terminal. In the meantime, the State Government of Kerala constituted a Expert Committee to examine and suggest recommendations to resolve the problem.
