

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS
LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 711
TO BE ANSWERED ON 07.02.2025

STATUS OF PCPIR

711. SHRI SRIBHARAT MATHUKUMILLI

Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS be pleased to state :-

- (a) the criteria for establishing a Petroleum, Chemicals, and Petrochemicals Investment Region (PCPIR) in the country;
- (b) the details of the operational PCPIRs, including total area, investment made, employment generated, and the number of chemical units established;
- (c) whether all other operational PCPIRs have successfully set up anchor industries, while the Visakhapatnam PCPIR continues to struggle in establishing one, and if so, the reasons therefor;
- (d) whether the absence of an anchor industry has hindered the full functionality of the Visakhapatnam PCPIR; and
- (e) if so, the steps taken by the Ministry to address this issue and ensure the effective operationalization of the Visakhapatnam PCPIR?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS

(SMT. ANUPRIYA PATEL)

- (a) The following parameters are considered while examining the proposals for establishing Petroleum, Chemicals, and Petrochemicals Investment Region (PCPIR):
- i. Potential generation of additional economic activity and future growth, including generation of additional employment.
 - ii. Potential investment from domestic and foreign sources for production of goods & services.
 - iii. Potential linkages for Petroleum, Chemical and Petrochemical investment facilities, both domestically and internationally.
 - iv. Willingness and commitment of the State Government.
 - v. Interest of major anchor industry including PSUs.
 - vi. Present infrastructure linkages to the proposed site, and estimated cost of required addition/ upgradation.
 - vii. Land Availability.

viii. Port connectivity.

ix. Maintenance of ecological balance and sustainable development in the region and conformity with Environmental Laws in force.

(b) to (e) 3 PCPIRs have been set up as on date under the PCPIR Policy, 2007. Details of these PCPIRs are as under:

S. No.	Parameter	Dahej, Gujarat PCPIR	Andhra Pradesh PCPIR	Paradeep, Odisha PCPIR	Total
1.	Total area (sq.km)	453	640	284.15	1,377.15
2.	Investment made (in crore)	1,28,509	58,918	73,518	2,60,945
3.	Employment generated	2,45,140	86,123	40,000	3,71,263
4.	Number of chemical units established	626	150	48	824

Anchor tentant in PCPIR, Gujarat and PCPIR Orissa have been successfully established in the form of M/s OPaL and M/s Indian Oil Corporation Ltd., respectively. As regards, the PCPIR in Andhra Pradesh, the initial proposal by a consortium of GAIL – Hindustan Petroleum Corporation Ltd (HPCL) to set up an anchor unit did not materialize as it was found to be economically unviable.

Recently, the proposal of Bharat Petroleum Corporation Ltd (BPCL) for setting up of an integrated Greenfield refinery and Petrochemical complex in 6000 Acres of land near Ramayyapatnam Port, Nellore District with an operational capacity of the refinery, ranging between 9-12 Million Metric Tons Per Annum with the project cost of Rs. 96,862 Crore, has since been approved by the State Government of Andhra Pradesh on 03.01.2025. While this integrated complex is not within the Andhra Pradesh PCPIR, it is near the PCPIR region and will benefit the industries located in the PCPIR region too.
