

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS  
LOK SABHA**

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NAPHTHA CRACKER PROJECT OF IOCL  
REENA CHOUDHARY

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

- (a) whether Indian Oil Corporation Limited has any proposal to set up Naphtha Cracker Project to produce 7 to 8 lakh tonnes of ethylen per annum;
- (b) if so, whether the location of the project has been identified;
- (c) if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) the estimated cost of the project and time schedule for its completion?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM & NATURAL GAS (SHRIMATI SUMITRA MAHAJAN)

(a) to (d): Indian Oil Corporation Limited has envisaged setting up a Naphtha Cracker Project utilizing captive Naphtha from its refineries for production of ethylene and propylene and conversion of the same to downstream polymers. The techno-economic study of the project is currently in progress, pursuant to which the location and estimated cost of the project would be finalized.