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Sub: Lok Sabha Question: Diary No: 8226 dated 04.03.2021 to be answered on 15.03.2021 regarding Petrochemical Complex

Q (a) Whether the Government has received new proposals to set up petrochemical complex in the State of Maharashtra and if so, the details thereof; and

Reply: The necessary inputs received from RRPCL and BPCL is furnished below:

Ratnagiri Refinery and Petrochemicals Limited (RRPCL) is a joint venture Company, formed on 22nd September 2017, by the three national oil companies of India namely IOCL, BPCL and HPCL to implement one of the largest integrated refinery and petrochemicals complex in West coast of Maharashtra. The Project is envisioned to be the world's largest greenfield project with estimated investment of over Rs.3 lakh crore (USD 44 billion). The refinery will be designed to meet India's fast-growing fuels and petrochemicals demand making it a project of national importance. Saudi Aramco along with ADNOC, two very strong overseas Oil & Gas majors, have shown intent to participate in the Project and would take equity stake in the Company. In May 2017 the Govt. of Maharashtra had notified land for the Project in Rajapur Taluka of Ratnagiri District of Maharashtra. However, the notification was withdrawn in March 2019 due to certain local opposition. Since then, the allocation of land for the Project is pending with the Govt. of Maharashtra.

BPCL has conducted feasibility Study for foray into Petrochemicals. Based on the Study, Pre-project activities for 450 KTPA Polypropylene (PP) plant at Rasayani, Maharashtra is in progress. Further, Feasibility study for installation of 1200 KTPA Ethylene cracker including downstream polymer plants at Rasayani is being carried out.

Q (b) Whether the Government has initiated/plans to conduct feasibility study of petrochemical complex in Vidarbha region of Maharashtra?

Reply: Based on Industry Information, there is no proposal of petrochemical complex at Vidarbha region of Maharashtra.

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