<u>Reply to Parliament Question No 10359 for 18.12.2024 for Lok Sabha regarding "Statistics and Programme Implementation" in respect of Numaligarh Refinery Limited (NRL):</u>

Q no. (a): **the reasons for the cost overrun of Rs. 5.01 lakh crore reported in 449 infrastructure projects as of March and the manner in which the Government plan to address the issues;**

Reply: Ministry to reply.
[The reasons for the cost overrun projects of NRL are provided in the Annexure-I.]

Q no. (b): **whether the Government provide a sector and state-wise breakdown of these delayed and cost-overrun projects, along with their revised timelines for completion;**

Reply: Ministry to reply.
[The reasons for the time overrun projects of NRL are provided in the Annexure-I.]

Q no. (c): **the steps which mechanisms are monitor and mitigate cost escalations in infrastructure projects to ensure better financial discipline and timely execution;**

Reply: Ministry to reply.
[The project is being monitored at the highest level to mitigate delays, cost escalations. Period project review meetings are being conducted to identify critical areas requiring urgent attention and find out solutions to resolve such issues.]

Q no. (d): **whether any specific steps being taken to avoid similar cost overruns in future projects in future projects, including reforms in project planning, execution, and inter-agency coordination; and**

Reply: Ministry to reply.

Q no. (e): **the manner in which the Government plan to ensure accountability for these overruns and prevent delays that significantly impact public resources and infrastructure development?**

Reply: Ministry to reply.

<u>Note for Supplementary</u>:

Numaligarh Refinery Limited (NRL) is a Public Sector Enterprise with a 3.0 MMTPA petroleum refinery at Numaligarh in Golaghat district of Assam. Present shareholding pattern of NRL is Oil India Limited (OIL) – 69.63%, Govt. of Assam (GoA) – 26% and Engineers India Ltd (EIL) – 4.37%.

NRL's major infrastructure projects are generally being funded in a debt equity ratio of 70:30 and debt is arranged through commercial borrowings. For the Numaligarh Refinery Expansion project, a term loan of Rs. 18,904 crore has been tied up with consortium of banks led by State Bank of India (SBI). The remaining amount is funded through internal resources of Rs. 8,102 crore and Viability Gap Funding (VGF) of Rs. 1,020 crore.

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