

Assam Gas Cracker Project

The Assam Gas Cracker Project was approved by the Government on the 18th April, 2006. The project is located at Lepetkata, District Dibrugarh Assam. The cost of the project is Rs.5460.61 Crores (fixed cost). A Capital subsidy for Rs. 2138 Crores for the project on fixed cost basis (phased during construction period of 5 years at constant prices) and a feedstock subsidy for Rs. 908.91 Crores for the project spread over 15 years operation period at constant prices shall be provided by Department of Chemicals and Petrochemicals. GAIL (India) Ltd is the main promoter, under an equity arrangement of GAIL: 70%, Oil India Ltd (OIL):10 % Numaligarh Refinery Limited (NRL): 10% and Assam Industrial Development Corporation (Government of Assam): 10%. The Feedstock for the project is Natural Gas and Naptha. Oil India Ltd; (OIL) and Natural Gas Commission (ONGC) will supply Natural Gas. NRL will supply Naptha. 7.35 MMSCMD of Gas and 1.6 Lakh TPA of Naptha will be required for the project. The project will produce 2.20 Lakh tones of ethylene. The principal end products will be polypropylene (PP) 60,000 TPA and High Density Polyethylene (HDPE)/Linear Low Density Polyethylene (LLDPE) totaling 220,000 TPA. This project is expected to give rise to a substantial employment generation both direct as well as indirect, and will attract substantial investments in setting up of downstream plastic processing industries.

Financial progress: the total cost of the project is Rs. 5460.61 Crores. Funding of the project is as below:

Equity	-	Rs. 1040 Crores
Debt	-	Rs. 2083 Crores
Capital Subsidy	-	Rs. 2138 Crores

The project revised cost and schedule is under revision for which BCPL has submitted the proposal for approval of Govt. of India and same is expected to be obtained shortly.

Business plan for 2011-12 is Rs.3,214.94 Crores. Capital expenditure (actual) up to June, 2011 is as under:

2007-08	-	Rs. 108.43 Crores
2008-09	-	Rs. 112.64 Crores
2009-10	-	Rs. 532.95 Crores
2010-11	-	Rs. 1421.86 Crores
2011-12	-	Rs. 249.05 Crores

Project Background:

- CCEA Approval 18-Apr-06
- Joint Venture Agreement 18-Oct-06
- Joint Venture Company Incorporation 07-Jan-07
- Supplementary PIB 12-Feb 07
- Stone laying ceremony by Hon'ble PM 09-Apr-07
- Appointment of EIL as EPMC 10-Sep-07
- Feedstock Agreement with OIL 19-Sep-07
- Feedstock Agreement with ONGC 15-Oct-07
- Financial Closure 01-Oct-09
- Feedstock Agreement with NRL 29-Jun-10
- Draft Marketing Agreement with GAIL 29-Jul-10