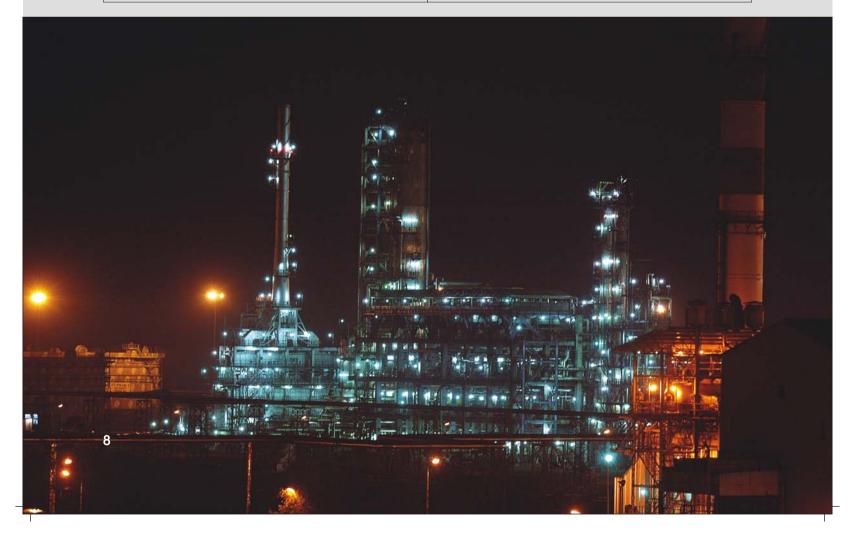
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| Product (Brand)                            | Sales ('000 tons) |
|--|-------------------|
| Naphtha                                    | 1022              |
| LPG (Bharat Gas, Bharat Metal Cutting Gas) | 2933              |
| Motor Spirit (Speed)                       | 2914              |
| Special Boiling Point Spirit               | 32                |
| Benzene                                    | 87                |
| Toluene                                    | 27                |
| Polypropylene Feedstock                    | 62                |
| Regasified - LNG                           | 905               |
| Aviation Turbine Fuel                      | 959               |
| Superior Kerosene Oil                      | 1637              |
| High Speed Diesel (Hi-Speed)               | 11482             |
| Light Diesel Oil                           | 107               |
| Mineral Turpentine Oil                     | 102               |
| Furnace Oil                                | 1745              |
| Low Sulphur Heavy Stock                    | 600               |
| Bitumen                                    | 653               |
| Lubricants (MAK, MAK Ultima)               | 232               |
| Others                                     | 287               |



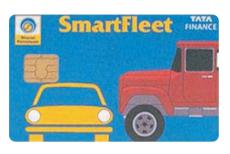
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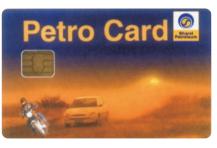
| Brands and Services  | Description   | Remarks   |
|--|---|---|
| Highway Network<br>Assurance Program<br>(Ghar and Highway<br>star Outlets) | Constitutes OSTS GHAR and Highway Star<br>outlets and emphasizes on customer<br>enablement enhancement              | Contributed to an impressive 17.6%<br>growth on highways for HSD. 21<br>Ghar Dhabas in operations with Rs.<br>23 million sales. |
| E-commerce   | B2B portal enabling customer to place and order online, track the status of order, view dispatch information        |   |
| Pure for Sure  | Ensuring quantity and quality of all products sold in the Retail Outlet   | 86% of all fuel volumes sold through<br>PFS outlets, with total of 6226 ROs<br>under the banner                                 |
| Smart Fleet  | Range of benefits for members like cashless<br>transaction., MIS report, credit option, vehicle<br>tracking system. | 25,480 heavy vehicles enrolled in<br>07-08. The sale reached Rs. 63,630<br>million, 58% higher than last year.                  |
| Beyond LPG – Ad d<br>on Service  | Value added service to reach product at at attractive offers to customers' doorstep                                 | Turnover has more than doubled to<br>Rs. 3480 million, with about 500<br>distributors engaging with this<br>business            |
| PetroCard  | Loyalty programme for customers   | 1.682 million PetroCard customers   |
| V-Care   | Service stations for maintenance of cars at their Ros   | 26 stations added this year. The turnover was Rs. 14 million  |



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|---------------------------------|--|---|
| In & Out Stores                 | Customer convenience stores at Retail Outlets  | 323 In & Out stores with<br>aggregate retailing space of<br>187,631 sq. ft. Sales grew<br>by 41% to Rs. 1092 million. |
| Quick Service<br>Retail Outlets | ROs with tie-up swith food chains like McDonalds, Pizza<br>Hut, Nirulas etc  | Total turnover of Rs. 249 million, a growth of 40%.   |
| Rural marketing vehicles        | Spot LPG refueling to reach out to village customers   |   |
| E-Charge                        | Convenience of purchasing recharge cards of the cellular company and denomination of his choice at any point of time   |   |
| Customer<br>Relations Centre    | LPG consumers' forum for giving feedback and obtaining clarification   | The CRCs are in each district   |
| Carnet Card                     | Identification Card, which allows purchase of fuel at<br>airports and ad hoc locations with convenience This card<br>gives the private operator the convenience of a<br>nationwide accepted card, which is accepted at many<br>non-BPCL locations as well. |   |
| Reticulated LPG<br>system       | Supply of LPG through pipeline network from a centralized cylinder bank or bulk installation to the customer's kitchen   |   |









## Awards and Recognition



r. Noelen Hevzer. Under Secretary General of UN and Executive Secretary of ESCA

- **Golden Peacock Environment Management Gold Award 2008** to Mumbai Refinery by World Environment Foundation, UK, under the large manufacturing category
- Safety Innovation Award 2007 to Kochi Refinery by the Institution of Engineers (India)
- **Gold Award** in Petroleum refinery sector to Kochi Refinery by the Greentech Foundation for outstanding achievement in safety management
- Environment Management Gold Award 2007 to Mumbai Refinery by the Greentech Foundation
- Best Performance of Safety Committee Award 2007 to Kochi Refinery by the National Safety Council, Kerala Chapter
- Environment Management Award 2007 to Cherlapally LPG plant by Foundation for Advancement of Science and Technology (FAST)
- **Punjab State Safety Award** to Lalru LPG plant by Labor Department, Punjab, for largest reduction in frequency rate of accident in chemical industry
- Kerala State Pollution Control Excellence Award to Kochi Refinery for making substantial and sustained effort in pollution control among large scale industries.
- **Oil Industry Safety Award** Second prize to Numaligarh Refinery in Refinery Sector
- National Energy Conservation Award 2007 Silver Award to Numaligarh Refinery by the Bureau of Energy Efficiency under the Ministry of Power, India.

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- All India National Safety Council Award to Manmad and Borkhedi Retail units
- British Safety Council Award to Piyala LPG and Tondiarpet Lubes installation under the International Safety Scheme
- Ramakrishna Bajaj National Quality Special Award 2007 to Mumbai Refinery for highest recognition in the manufacturing category
- **Petrofed Oil and Gas Marketing Company of the Year Award** to BPCL for excellence in enhancing performance and customer base while being responsible with stringent of health, safety and environment norms.
- **Excellent Water Efficient Unit Award-Beyond the Fence Award 2007** to BPCL at National Awards for Excellence in Water Management, conducted by Confederation of Indian industries.
- **Quest for Excellence Award** in the large manufacturing category in the World Class Winners of the International Asia Pacific Quality Awards 2008. BPCL is the first Indian oil company to win this award.
- Asian Corporate Social Responsibility Award 2008 to BPCL for 'Boond-III' project in the Environmental Excellence Category by Asian Institute of Management with Intel.



Mr. G.S. Baveja, GM (HSE), receiving the award for Excellent Water Efficient Unit Award 2007, awarded by CII

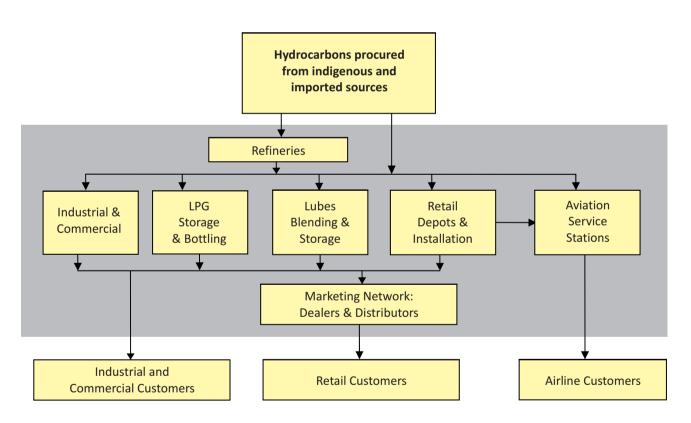


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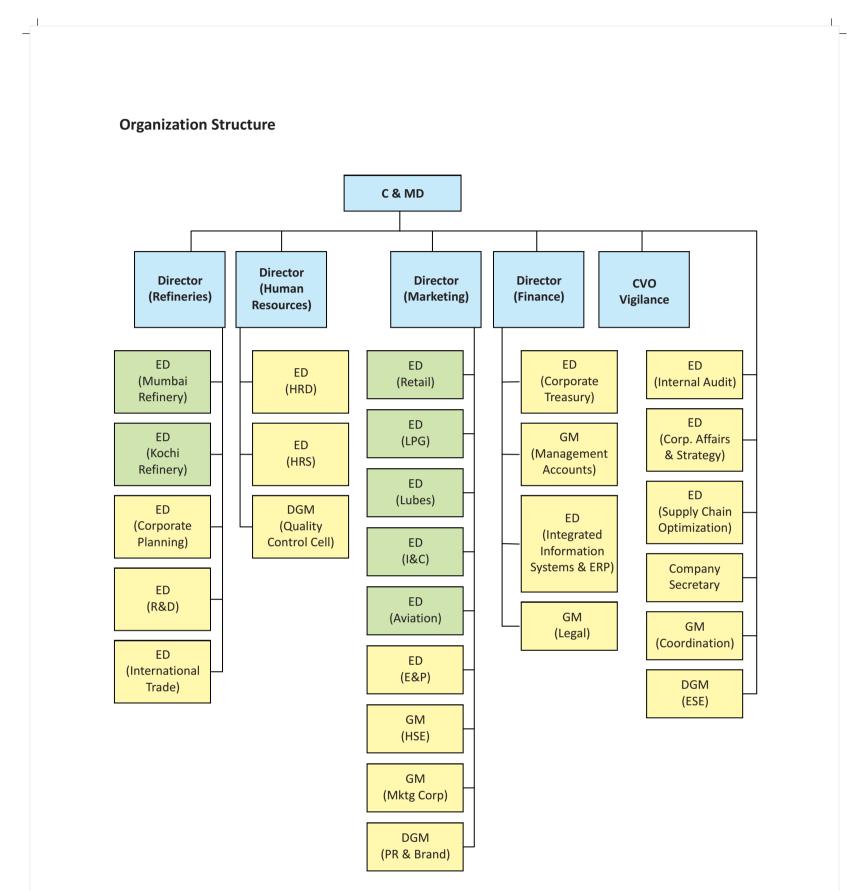
#### **BPCL** at a glance

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- Ours was the first company to process the newly found indigenous crude at Bombay High.
- We are India's second largest oil company, ranked 287th among the Global Fortune 500 companies.
- We are proud employers of 14025 individuals and also provide employment to thousands of contract workers across the nation.
- We have two refineries at Mahul and Kochi with an annual refining capacity of 12 MMT and 7.5 MMT, respectively. Our subsidiary at Numaligarh, has a capacity of 3 MMT per annum.
- We have a nationwide network of 12 installations, 126 depots, 48 LPG bottling plants, 22 aircraft filling stations, 8251 retail outlets (ROs) and 2137 LPG distributors. NRL has 108 retail outlets of its own.



#### **Operational overview**

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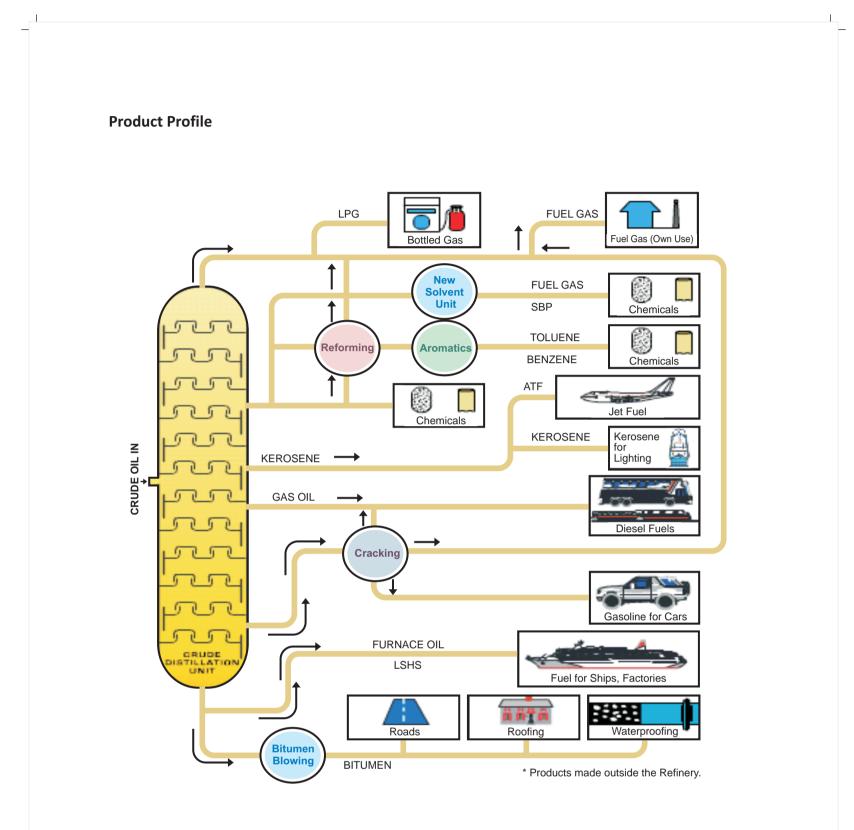


In line with our Vision\* to maximize competitive advantage and to broaden our business footprint the organization has been structured around six Strategic Business Units (SBUs). Entities play a vital role in facilitating, synchronizing and coordinating business activities.

\*Please visit our corporate website for our Vision statements at http://www.bharatpetroleum.com/corporate/corporate\_vision.asp

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### **Products from BPCL and their uses**

- Major products from our refineries are Motor Spirit (Euro II, III), LPG, ATF, raw petroleum coke, calcined ٠ petroleum coke and naphtha, Sulphur, SKO, Diesel (Euro II, III), aromatics (Benzene and Toluene)
- Our other products are Bitumen, 380 cst Fuel Oil, and BMCG and Furnace oil •
- We have over 300 grades of lubricants available over 500 different packaging formats catering to the needs of our industrial and automotive customers

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#### **Product Responsibility**

BPCL strives to provide its customers with the best products and services. Distillates of crude oil and lubricants are our major product categories. We are aware that usage of these products result in large scale green house gas emissions which result in global warming. Though we are yet to conduct studies to assess the environmental impacts of our products and services through its entire life cycle, we ensure that there is no compromise in terms of the quality of products and services that we provide. In fact, many our cylinders go through random-selection based rigorous checks for deviations in quality and component standards at our laboratories, many of which, including all three of our refinery laboratories, are ISO 17025 certified by the National Accreditation Board for Testing and Standards (NABL). Wherever product manufacturing or packaging is outsourced to third party vendors, we ensure through rigorous testing and vendor visits that there is no deviation in quality standards.

Through our 2137 distributors, we provide 25 million LPG cylinders to households across the country. Special care is taken to ensure that our LPG cylinders are rigorously checked and tested for safe use. Thorough checks are carried out for our lorries used for product distribution which include the most basic verification of valid drivers' licenses, validity of mandatory OISD 154 driver training, availability of fire extinguishers, legible and conspicuous emergency information on truck bodies, tyre conditions, etc. For our retail operations, in co-ordination with other Indian oil and gas PSUs, we maintain an operational fleet of Emergency Rescue Vehicles (ERV) to minimize potential damage caused in case of tank lorry accidents.



#### **Product Assurance – LPG Cylinders**

New cylinders are received from manufacturers that have been approved by the office of the Chief Controller of Explosives, Nagpur. These cylinders are inspected and certified by certification agencies according to standards prescribed by the BIS (Bureau of Indian Standards) at the manufacturers' premises. The manufacturer then supplies cylinders directly to our various plants along with the certificate issued by BIS.

On receipt of the new cylinders at the LPG bottling plant, they are subjected to checks as per our inhouse quality assurance plan. After passing these tests, cylinders are sent for filling, after which a number of thorough checks are conducted prior to dispatch to the distributor or customer. The checks include quality, quantity and body leaks checks. **Quantity Check** :Cylinders are weighed on automated machines. If a cylinder is found to be incorrectly filled it is sent for product evacuation and refilling.

**Quality Check:** Cylinder valves and O-rings are checked for quality standards. In case of a defective valve, the product is evacuated and the cylinder segregated. The valve is replaced with a new valve, and then sent for refilling. In case of a defective O-ring, it is replaced with a new one.

**Body leaks :**Cylinders are inspected for body leaks by passing the cylinders through a water bath. Leaky cylinders are crushed and disposed off as scrap.

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#### LPG Cylinder checkin

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