

**Exploration of Oil and Natural Gas
in Maharashtra**

5762. SHRIVILASRAO NAGNATHRAO GUNDEWAR: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) the names of districts where geological survey was conducted with a view to employ oil and natural gas;

(b) the number of places where the exploration work commenced and the number of wells where oil and natural gas was found;

(c) whether there are many places in Maharashtra that can be explored for oil and natural gas;

(d) if so, whether the Government propose to conduct a survey to identify such places; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI B. SHANKARANAND): (a) to (e). In Maharashtra Geological surveys have been conducted in Chandrapur (Chanda) and Yavatmal districts and no well has been drilled for oil and natural gas so far.

Two blocks falling partly in Maharashtra have been offered for exploration in the 4th Round of Bidding.

**Recruitment Camps for Para-
Military Forces in States**

5763. SHRI AVTAR SINGH BHADANA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the names of the places in Haryana and Gujarat where recruitment camps for Border Security Force and other para-military forces were held during the last three years; and

(b) the number of jawans recruited from these States during the said period, force-wise?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI M.M. JACOB): (a) Assam Rifles did not carry out any recruitment from Haryana and Gujarat during the last 3 years. ITBP did not carry out any recruitment in Gujarat during this period. The places where BSF, CRPF and CISF conducted recruitment in Haryana and Gujarat, and ITBP in Haryana are given in the statement attached.

(b) The information is as under:-

<i>Name of the Force</i>	<i>Number of jawans recruited from</i>	
	<i>Haryana</i>	<i>Gujarat</i>
<i>1</i>	<i>2</i>	<i>3</i>
BSF	2205	1796
CRPF	446	969
CISF	352	724
ITBP	81	No recruitment was carried out.