

tuna and other fish processing facilities, deep sea fishing and processing, setting up of cold-chain, Research and Development in Food Processing and packaging and manpower in certain sectors.

Crude Oil From Rava Oil Field in K.G. BASIN

2099. S H R I SOBHANADREESWARA RAO VADDE: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) the estimated quantity of crude oil that may be available from 'Rava Oil Field' and other Oil fields in K.G. Basin;

(b) the quantum of crude oil production as on March 31, 1994 from this K.G. Basin;

(c) the reasons for not drawing out the optimum quantity of crude from this basin; and

(d) the steps taken to extract the maximum quantity that can be drawn keeping in view the need to reduce the foreign exchange out-go on import of crude oil?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (CAPT. SATISH KUMAR SHARMA): (a) As on 1.4.1994, balance recoverable reserves of crude oil in Rava field and other fields in KG basin were about 17.92 million tonnes.

(b) ONGC has produced about 0.256 million tonnes of crude oil from KG onshore and KG offshore till March 1994.

(c) The annual crude oil production targets are based on the optimum production potential of different fields.

(d) For optimal exploitation of crude oil, ONGC is taking requisite action like well servicing/repair/work-over, well stimulation and installation/repair of artificial lift. Government has also offered development of some of the small and medium sized oil fields in KG basin both onshore and offshore through JVCs/private parties.

S.T.D. Phones with Electronic Exchanges

2100. SHRI GABHAJI MANGAJI THAKORE: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Gujarat Telecom has a proposal to connect all STD phones with an electronic exchange;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether some other Telecom circles have also implemented this proposal; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI SUKH RAM): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) All STD phones in Gujarat Telecom. Circle are proposed to be progressively connected with electronic exchanges by March, 1997. 26 electronic exchanges planned in 1994-95 for expansion of Telephone systems where electromechanical exchanges are working at present are likely to serve STD subscribers of these electromechanical exchanges.

(c) and (d) No. Sir. However other Telecom circles are also drawing plans for meeting the objective of connecting all STD phones to electronic exchanges by March, 1997.