

Survey for Exploration of Oil and Natural Gas Deposits

1761. SHRI LAETA UMBREY : Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state :

(a) whether any survey has been conducted so far in Arunachal Pradesh to find out the deposits of oil and natural gas;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (CAPT. SATISH KUMAR SHARMA) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) 3692 Sq. Km. Geological surveys and 2750 SLKM of 2D seismic surveys have been carried out in Arunachal Pradesh and based thereon 35 exploratory wells have been drilled. As a result thereof a total of 39.04 MMT of oil and oil equivalent of gas inplace reserves have been established.

(c) Does not arise.

Separate Units for VIP Security

1762. SHRI CHETAN P.S. CHAUHAN : Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) whether there is a proposal to set up a completely separate units for the security of VIPs;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the estimated annual expenditure involved therein?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI SYED SIBTEY RAZI) : (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) Does not arise.

E.D. Employees

1763. SHRIMATI SUSEELA GOPALAN :

SHRI AMAR ROYPRADHAN :

Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Commission set up to look into the affairs of the E.D. employees has submitted its report;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) if not, the reasons therefor;

(d) whether time had been fixed for submission of the report, at the time of setting up of the Commission; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI SUKH RAM) : (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) to (e). The E.D. Committee was constituted on 31st March, 1995 and it was decided that it would function for a period of one year, extendable at the discretion of the Government. The original tenure of the Committee has not expired.

Distribution of Compressed Natural Gas

1764. SHRI GURUDAS KAMAT : Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Gas Authority of India Limited has not been able to finalise the details about the distributions of compressed natural gas to industrial units;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor; and

(c) the steps taken in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (CAPT. SATISH KUMAR SHARMA) : (a) to (c). GAIL is supplying natural gas to over 200 industrial units in various regions. Compressed Natural Gas (CNG) is being supplied by GAIL as a vehicular fuel in Bombay, Baroda and Delhi.

[Translation]

Gas from HBJ Pipeline

1765. SHRI RAMESHWAR PATIDAR :

SHRIMATI SHEELA GAUTAM :

SHRI RAMASHRAY PRASAD SINGH :

Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state :

(a) the name of the projects which were to be supplied gas from HBJ pipeline as per original plan;

(b) whether all these projects have been completed;

(c) if not, the reasons for delay and the time by which these are likely to be completed;

(d) whether the gas earmarked for these projects is being used for other purposes;

(e) if so, the details thereof; and

(f) the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (CAPT. SATISH KUMAR SHARMA) : (a) As per the original plan, the HBJ pipeline was to supply gas to six fertilizer plants.