

(b) No green colour letter boxes are to be installed in any of the cities in Bihar. The green letter boxes have been installed at Bombay, Calcutta, Delhi, Madras, Hyderabad Bangalore and Ahmedabad on experimental basis for a period of 3 months and decision to extend installation of green letter boxes to other towns will be taken after evaluation of the results of the experiments.

(c) Does not arise.

Rents for Rigs

4168. SHRI MOOL CHAND DAGA : Will the Minister of PETROLEUM be pleased to state :

(a) whether attention of his Ministry has been drawn to the new item captioned "Desh Ki Daulat Kaun Loot Raha Hai" appearing in 'Nav Bharat Times' of 2nd January, 1984 ;

(b) if so, whether the rent for the rigs upto 11th September, 1983 was 8 crore 58 lakh and 80 thousand dollars out of which

the Oil and Natural Gas Commission has already paid 7 crore 42 lakh and 47 thousand dollars ;

(c) whether any responsibility has been fixed for paying such a huge amount of rent when the cost of rig at that time was 2 crore and 19 lakh dollars only ; and

(d) the number of rigs hired, Country-wise so far, alongwith the dates of hiring thereof and amount of rent paid in each case ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM (SHRI NAWAL KISHORE SHARMA) : (a) No Sir. The paper did not carry any such item in its issue referred to in the question.

(b) and (c) Do not arise.

(d) The information is given in the statement below.

Statement

A-Offshore rigs

Sl. No.	Name of Rig	Daily Operating rate	Period
U.S.A.			
1.	DALMAHOY	US DLRS 25,000	SEPT. 75 To AUG. 77
2.	DISCOVERER III	US DLRS 13,550	APRIL 78 To 31ST MAY 79
3.	FREDERICKSBURG	US DLRS 18,850	13.3.80 To 31.5.81
4.	SEDCO 445	US DLRS 77,000	22.1.82 To 21.1.85
	-----	(FOR ANCHOR MODE)	
	-----	US DLRS 87,000 (FOR DP MODE)	
5.	GETTYSBURG	US DLRS 13,000	1.5.77 To 31.5.78
	-----	US DLRS 13,400	1.6.78 To 31.5.79
	-----	US DLRS 14,850	1.6.79 To 31.5.80
	-----	US DLRS 25,000	1.6.80 To 31.5.81
	-----	US DLRS 35,000	1.6.81 To 31.5.83
	-----	US DLRS 21,732	27.10.83 To 26.10.84
	-----	US DLRS 19,800	27.10.84 To 31.12.85
	-----	US DLRS 23,000	1.1.85 To 31.12.85

6.	HAKON MAGNUS	US DLRS 32,000	SEPT 75 To FEB. 78
7.	GRIFFIN ALEXANDER	US DLRS 41,600	11.6.82 To 20.11.84
8.	DIXILYN FIELD 95	US DLRS 48,250	16.8.82 To 16.10.82
	-----	US DLRS 35,000	17.10.82 To 16.10.83
	-----	US DLRS 19,500	17.10.83 To 26.1.85
	-----	(PLUS) Rs. 65,000	
	-----	US DLRS 20,500	27. 1.85 To 26.1.86
	-----	(PLUS) Rs. 40,000	
9.	SHENANDOAH	US DLRS 25,000	12.3.76 To 3.11.76
	-----	US DLRS 21,000	4.11.76 To 11.3.77
	-----	US DLRS 19,900	12.3.77 To 11.9.78
	-----	US DLRS 26,200	12.9.78 To 11.9.79
	-----	US DLRS 26,800	12.9.79 To 11.9.80
	-----	US DLRS 35,000	12.9.80 To 11.9.81
	-----	US DLRS 40,000	12.9.81 To 11.9.83
	-----	US DLRS 16,689	17.2.84 To 16.2.85
	-----	US DLRS 16,689	17.2.85 To 16.2.86
10.	W. T. AADAMS	US DLRS 44,403	27.8.80 To 21.12.81
	-----	US DLRS 45,550	1.1.82 To 30.6.82
	-----	US DLRS 45,650	1.7.82 To 16.8.82
	-----	US DLRS 47,643	17.8.82 To 16.8.83
	-----	US DLRS 41,743	17.8.83 To 31.8.84
11.	BONITO I	US DLRS 28,000	31.5.83 To 30.4.84
	-----	US DLRS 20,450	1.5.84 To 30.4.85
	-----	US DLRS 24,450	1.5.85 To 30.4.86
12.	TRITON II	US DLRS 41,600	15.7.82 To 2.12.84
NORWAY :			
1.	PELERIN D.P.	US DLRS 40,500	29.11.79 To 10.7.80
	-----	US DLRS 74,000	25.11.80 To 10.6.81
BRITISH WEST INDIES :			
1.	CHICHEN ITZA	US DLRS 46,000	22. 5.82 To 21.5.84
	-----	US DLRS 29,500	22. 5.84 To 30.4.85
	-----	US DLRS 23,500	1. 5.85 To 30.4.86
2.	UXMAL	US DLRS 23,500	20. 5.85 To 19.5.86
B—ONSHORE RIGS			
West Germany			
1.	DST	DM 33600	30.11.84 To 29.11.86
Italy			
1.	Saipem	a) US DLRS 13594	4.10.84 To 3.10.86
		b) US DLRS 12984	