

Station and Mehsana Taluka Police Station by ONGC authorities on 18.1.1983. The cost of the stolen articles is estimated at approximately Rs. 4 lakhs. The Police have reported that they have recovered 160 bits and 27 drill pipes so far and these are in the custody of the local Police.

(c) Nothing has been established so far. However, three employees of the Oil & Natural Gas Commission were arrested by the police for their suspected involvement in this case. These employees have been placed under suspension by the ONGC.

(d) ONGC has tightened their security arrangements to avoid the recurrence of such thefts in future.

#### Finding of Oil/Gas in On-shore and Off-shore

7895. SHRI SHANTUBHAI PATEL : Will the Minister of ENERGY be pleased to state :

(a) the details of oil and gas finds in on-shore and off-shore areas during 1982-83;

(b) the structures which have been found to be commercially viable; and

(c) by what time and how much oil is expected to be exploited from these structures ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF PETROLEUM IN THE MINISTRY OF ENERGY (SHRI GARGI SHANKAR MISHRA): (a) During the year 1982-83 oil and/or gas was struck/found at the following places:

#### ON-SHORE

- (1) 'Gamej' and 'Ognaj' in Gujarat.
- (2) 'Gojalua' in Tripura.

- (3) The Hugrijan & Moran Mining Lease areas and Jorajan structure in Assam.

#### OFF-SHORE

- (4) PY—1—Cauvery basin.
- (5) G—2—Godavari basin.
- (6) R—8—Bombay basin.
- (7) D—12—Bombay basin.

(b) and (c) The discoveries/strikes in the areas mentioned at (3) above are on the already proved structures, in the mining lease areas of OIL. The remaining structures are still at the exploratory stage and their commercial viability cannot be assessed at this stage.

#### Machinery to Monitor Prices of Raw Materials and Packing Materials

7896. SHRI N. K. SHEJWALKAR: Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government have any machinery to monitor the prices of raw materials and packing materials used in the manufacture of drugs;

(b) if not, how do Government ensure that prices of such materials do not increase unduly, forcing the manufacturers of drugs to seek price increases ;

(c) whether Government have collected any data regarding the prices of raw materials and packing materials during the past five years; if so, what has been the trend of these prices;

(d) do Government propose to introduce price control on raw materials and packing materials; and

(e) if not, how do Government propose to ensure that drug prices do not increase unduly due to cost-push inflation ?