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| (iv) Oil/Gas bearing areas discovered | 4 | 26 |
| (v) Production and despatches of Oil (Million tonnes) | 0.49 | 22.62 |
| (vi) Supplies of natural gas (Million Cubic metres) | Nil | 1919.11 |
| (vii) Receipts from sale of oil and Natural gas (Rs. in Crores) | 3.84 | 259.33 |

(c) There is only one venture of ONGC abroad ; this is a joint venture for exploration and production of oil in an off-shore area in the Persian Gulf. ONGC is represented in it through its wholly-owned subsidiary, Hydrocarbons India Pvt Ltd. (HIPL), which owns one-sixth of the equity. The other participants are Phillips Petroleum Co. of USA and AGIP of Italy, both of which also have one-sixth each of the equity, and NIOC of Iran which has half of the equity, in proportion to their respective equity participation, half of the oil produced goes to the share of the NIOC and the remaining half is shared equally by HIPL, Phillips and AIGP.

Of the oil produced in the joint venture upto 16-7-72, 10,900,542 barrels (1.45 million tonnes approx) came to the equity share of HIPL. Against its equity share, HIPL so far has been able to lift 6,912,603 barrels (0.92 million tonnes approx.) only, because of the problem of finding buyers, and it having not been possible to use this oil in the Indian refineries for various reasons. HIPL however, have an option to make up this short lifting in future years, and has actually begun to do so from January 1972.

Out of the total liftings by HIPL, upto now, 233,464 barrels (31,000 tonnes approx.) were sold on a trial basis to the Cochun Refineries Ltd. The remaining quantities were sold abroad.

सूखे के कारण राज्यों को वित्तीय सहायता

3577. श्री हुकम चन्द कच्छबाय :
श्री सी० के० जाफर शरीफ .

क्या वित्त मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या कुछ राज्यों ने केन्द्र सरकार से सूखे का मुकाबला करने के लिए धन की मांग की है;

(ख) यदि हा, तो उन राज्यों के नाम तथा मांगी गयी रकम का ब्यौरा क्या है; और

(ग) इस सम्बन्ध में सरकार द्वारा क्या कार्यवाही की गयी है ?

वित्त मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री के० जार० गजेश) : (क) जी, हाँ ।

(ख) और (ग), एक विवरण सभा पत्रक पर रख दिया गया है । [संभाल्य में रखा गया दिनांक संख्या L.T.-3508/72]