

**Operations of Sagar Samrat in
Bombay High**

7998. SHRI P. GANGADEB:
SHRI SHRIKISHAN MODI:
SHRI PURUSHOTTAM
KAKODKAR:

Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the latest report from the Sagar Samrat operating in the Bombay High area in the Arabian Sea is encouraging; and

(b) if so, broad features thereof?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS (SHRI C. P. MAJHI):
(a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The production test results of the fourth well drilled recently in Bombay High structure have given positive evidence of commercial accumulation of oil.

**Installation of a Drilling Platform to
Expedite Oil Production**

7999. SHRI P. GANGADEB:
SHRI ANADI CHARAN DAS:
SHRI PURUSHOTTAM
KAKODKAR:

Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS be pleased to state:

(a) whether one drilling-cum-production platform is proposed to be installed by the Oil and Natural Gas Commission for producing oil in quickest possible time;

(b) whether the first stage of commercial production is going to be established in early 1976;

(c) whether one million tons of oil is likely to be produced yearly; and

(d) whether the oil production rate would be 5000 barrels a day?

**THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE
MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND
CHEMICALS (SHRI C. P. MAHI):**

(a) to (d). ONGC is taking action to set up an intermediate stage of production during 1976-77 to produce oil from Bombay High at the rate of about one million tonnes per annum; this will work out to about 20,000 barrels a day. To achieve this objective, Commission is taking timely action for procuring necessary fixed platform(s) and other equipments.

**Measures to Curb Consumption of Pet-
roleum Products**

8000. SHRI D. K. PANDA:

SHRI K. M. MADHUKAR:

Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have reviewed the results of the various measures taken to curb the consumption of petroleum products;

(b) if so, the outcome thereof; and

(c) how far Government have succeeded in reducing the consumption by Government sector?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS (SHRI C. P. MAJHI):

(a) and (b). As a result of various fiscal and regulatory measures adopted by Government to curb the consumption of petroleum products, there has been an overall drop of 31 per cent in their consumption during 1974 as compared with 1973 as against an average growth rate of about 9 per cent in the past.

(c) No separate statistics are being maintained in this regard.

**Companies Prosecuted in Delhi for
Violation of Companies Act during
the last year**

8001. SHRI H. K. L. BHAGAT:
Will the Minister of LAW, JUSTICE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS be pleased to state: