

(c) if so, when it will be introduced; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI C. K. JAFFER SHARIEF): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) to (d). The feasibility of introducing Rajdhani type train on the north-south route during the next financial year shall be examined.

### **Decline in Oil Production from Bombay High**

\*415. SHRI ASHOK ANANDRAO DESHMUKH: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the production of oil from Bombay High is on the decline;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor;

(c) whether any enquiry has been conducted to fix responsibility for the same; and

(d) if not, the steps now proposed to be taken in the matter.

THE MINISTER OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI B. SHANKAR-ANAND): (a) and (b). Production of oil from the Western Offshore including Bombay High has declined in 1990-91 as compared to 1989-90. The shortfall in 1990-91 as against the target is due to leakages from certain subsea pipelines, reservoir considerations (pressure decline, increase in GOR & water cut), officers' strike, and delays in implementation of certain schemes.

(c) and (d). The Government had appointed a Committee of Experts headed by Shri A.B. Dasgupta, former Chairman of OIL

to go into the issue of the management of the Bombay High field. This Committee has submitted its report.

### **Transfer of assets from ONGC to GAIL**

\*416. SHRI DATTATRAYA BANDARU:  
SHRI BALRAJ PASSI:

Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to refer to the reply given on April 10, 1990, to Starred Question No. 405 regarding transportation of gas by GAIL and state:

(a) whether transfer of assets from the Oil and Natural Gas Commission to the Gas Authority of India Limited has been finalised;

(b) if so, the details of the assets to be transferred to GAIL; and

(c) if not, the reasons for delay?

THE MINISTER OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI B. SHANKAR-ANAND): (a) to (c). While certain decisions had been taken in the past the matter is being further considered.

### **Harnessing of Wind Energy**

\*418. DR. KARTIKESWAR PATRA: Will the Minister of POWER AND NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) the details of steps taken so far for setting up of wind pumps and wind farm demonstration projects and the extent to which the target was achieved, State-wise;

(b) whether the Union Government have entered into any agreement with any foreign country/collaborator for the harnessing of wind energy; and