

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS
LOK SABHA**

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GAS SUPPLY TO MSEB
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Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government of Maharashtra has reported inadequate Gas supply to Maharashtra State Electricity Board (M.S.E.B.) despite a contract between GAIL and MSEB;
- (b) if so, the details thereof
- (c) whether such inadequate supply of gas to M.S.E.B. has been affecting power generation capacity;
- (d) if so, whether the Government propose to take action in the matter; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI SANTOSH KUMAR GANGWAR)

- (a) Yes, Sir.
- (b) As against the contracted quantity of 3.5 million standard cubic meter per day (MMSCMD), the present supply to MSEB, Uran has been ranging between 2.41 and 2.50 MMSCMD.
- (c) to (e) On account of the ageing of the Mumbai High field, there is a continuing shortfall in the availability of gas and the available gas is distributed on a pro-rata basis with priority to feedstock consumers