

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

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3034  
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NEW HYDROCARBON RESERVES  
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**Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether ONGC has found seven new hydrocarbon reserves in the country;
- (b) if so, the locations thereof alongwith the expected quantity of the reserves;
- (c) whether commercial drilling is expected to be commenced soon; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

**Answer**

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

(a) & (b): Oil and Natural Gas Corporation Ltd. (ONGC) has made seven new hydrocarbons finds during 1999-2000 as per details given below:

Sl.No. Name of the find Basin Initial inplace O+OEG  
(in MMT as on 1.4.2000)

1. Akholjuni Cambay 1.00

2. Sadra Cambay 0.26

3. Safrai Upper Assam 5.60

4. Tichna AAFB-Tripura 3.98

5. TP Mumbai Offshore Under assessment

6. Lakshmaneshwaram Krishna-Godavari 0.71

7 Srigattapalle Krisna-Godavari 0.41

(c) & (d): The evaluation of geo-scientific data and delineation drilling of some of the finds is underway. Assessment drilling in Akholjuni, Tichna & Safrai, subsequent to the find, has commenced. Locations have been lined up for drilling in Sadra, Lakshmaneshwaram & Safrai and data are being assessed for TP and Srigattapalle for deciding upon the future plan.

MMT = Million Metric Tonne, O+OEG = Oil plus oil equivalent gas