

	1989-90	1990-91	1991-92
Crude oil processing in Refinery (Million Tonnes)	2.964	2.416	2.262
Filling of LPG Cylinders (TMT)	36.83	42.45	44.36

(c) and (d). There is no such proposal at present.

Sick Oil Wells

*631. SHRI RAJESH KUMAR: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether any study has been conducted regarding the sick oil wells in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the modern technology has been applied for the revival of those wells;

(d) if not, the reasons therefor;

(e) whether the Government have signed any agreement with any other country for revival of those wells; and

(f) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI B. SHANKARANAND): (a) to (d). ONGC contrarily monitors and reviews the status of oil wells. It undertakes workover operations in respect of sick wells on a regular basis. In this regard the best available technology is used. A Task Force set up by ONGC in December 1990, also made an analysis of sick wells in the Bombay off shore, Western onshore and eastern region.

(e) No, Sir.

(f) Does not arise.

[English]

Gas Reserves in Tripura & Assam

*632. SHRI HARIN PATHAK: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether gas reserves have been discovered in off-shore areas of Tripura and Assam;

(b) if so, the details along with the capacity of each of those gas reserves; and

(c) the expenditure incurred on the discovery and development of such gas reserves.

THE MINISTER OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI B. SHANKARANAND): (a) to (c). Tripura and Assam do not have any offshore region. However, onshore recoverable reserves to the extent of approximately 10.6 billion cu. mts. of gas in Tripura and approximately 150.5 million tonnes of oil and 147.8 billion cu. mts. of gas in Assam have been established.

Probe into Disappearance of Netaji Subhash Chandra Bose

6687. SHRI SANAT KUMAR MANDAL: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether any Political Party has demanded a fresh probe into the disappearance of Netaji Subhash Chandra Bose;

(b) if so, the reaction of the Government thereto;

(c) whether the Government have accepted reported by two committee set up to enquire into this matter; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI M. M. JACOB): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) to (c). The Government has already accepted the reports of the Shan Nawaz Khan Committee and the Khosla Commission to the effect that Netaji Subhash Chandra Bose died in an air crash on 18th August, 1945 at Taihoku.

[*Translation*]

Funds Sanctioned by National Co-operative Development Corporation to Bihar for Development of Fishery

6688. SHRI CHHEDI PASWAN: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) the amount sanctioned by the National Co-operative Development Corporation to Bihar for integrated development of fishery industry during the current financial year;

(b) whether the Government of Bihar has spend the entire amount sanctioned for this purpose during the last financial year; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI MULLAPPALLY RAMACHANDRAN): (a) and (b). No proposal for financial assistance under Integrated Fisheries Development Project has been received from Bihar so far.

(c) Does not arise.

[*English*]

Shale Oil Production in North Eastern State

6689. SHRI GEORGE FERNANDES: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether any task force has been constituted to make indepth studies of the potential and economic viability of shale oil production in the north-eastern State of the country; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI B. SHANKARANAND): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) A multi-disciplinary Task Force was constituted in February, 1991 to assess the geographical spread and volume of oil shales and related coals, review of existing technologies and work in progress in different research centres in the world, determine R&D efforts to be undertaken including setting up of the pilot plant, assess the economic and environment implication of this activity and carry out cost benefit analysis of the selected processes/pilots.

Receipt of Foreign Contribution by Aware

6690. SHRI J. CHOKKA RAO: Will the Minister of WELFARE be pleased to state: