

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

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1299
ANSWERED ON:01.12.2005
AVAILABILITY OF CRUDE OIL
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Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has made any assessment of availability of crude oil in the country as on date;
- (b) if so, the total quantity of crude oil available in the country at the end of November, 2005;
- (c) the number of places identified so far having possibility of exploration of crude oil and assessment made regarding quantity of crude oil available at each of these places; and
- (d) the present average annual production of crude oil in the country and the possibility of increasing the production during the coming years?

Answer

MINISTER OF PETROLEUM & NATURAL GAS AND PANCHAYATI RAJ (SHRI MANI SHANKAR AIYAR)

(a) & (b) : Assessment of reserves are made on an annual basis and reported every year as on the 31st March of the year. Based on oil reserves established as on 1.4.2005 as a result of exploration, the Balance Recoverable reserves of oil in the country are estimated at 740.77 million metric tonne (MMT).

(c) : The quantum of balance recoverable oil reserves established as on 1.4.2005, state-wise is given in the Annex.

(d) : The production of oil in the country in 2004-05 was 33.980 MMT. During the last three years, the average oil production was 33.47 MMT.

ANNEXE

ANNEXE REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (c) OF THE LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1299 BY SHRI ADHIR CHOWDHURY TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 1ST DECEMBER 2005 REGARDING AVAILABILITY OF CRUDE OIL

State wise reserves of oil as on 01.4.2005

State/Offshore area Balance Recoverable Reserve of oil (MMT)	
Andhra Pradesh	4.72
Arunachal Pradesh	5.21
Assam	163.68
Gujarat	173.99
Nagaland	2.69
Rajasthan	11.10
Tamil Nadu	8.17
Total Onland	369.56
East Coast	32.53
West Coast	338.68
Total Offshore	371.21
Grand Total	740.77