

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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LOK SABHA**

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EXPLORATION WORK IN RAJASTAHN
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Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the exploration work of oil/ gas reserves found in Barmer and Sanchore districts in Rajasthan has been completed;
- (b) if so, whether any development plan for the discoveries made in these areas has been prepared;
- (c) if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) the steps taken/being taken for commercial production therefrom?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM & NATURAL GAS (SHRI DINSHA PATEL)

- (a) The exploration phase under the Production Sharing Contract (PSC) for the block RJ-ON-90/1 in Barmer and Sanchore districts in Rajasthan has been completed.
- (b) The development plan for four discoveries, namely, Mangla, Aishwarya, Rageshwari, and Saraswati has been approved by the Management Committee.
- (c)&(d) The expected oil production from these four discoveries is likely to be about 115,000 barrels per day. Production is likely to commence in 2008 with development expenditure estimated to be about US\$ 1.6 billion.