

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

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:418

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SURVEY/EXPLORATION OF OIL IN THE COUNTRY .

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

- (a) the names of the State and places particularly in backward and rural areas of the country where digging for exploration of oil is taking place as on date alongwith the names of the companies which are working for the purpose;
- (b) the total funds spent by the said companies for survey and exploration work; and
- (c) the steps taken by the Government to ensure timely completion of the exploration work?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE Ministry of Petroleum & Natural Gas (SHRI DINSHA PATEL)

- (a) and (b) The exploration activity and expenditure state-wise/district wise under the Production Sharing Contract (PSC) regime is as per Annex.
- (c) The Government monitors the work program and budget through management committees for each block for timely completion of the work program as per the PSC