

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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LOK SABHA**

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DEVELOPMENT OF OIL AND GAS FIELDS
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Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is working on a strategy that would fast track the development of new oil and gas fields to raise the sagging output and help the prestigious oil and gas explorer regain its premium status; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI R.P.N. SINGH)

(a) & (b) Oil and Natural Gas Corporation (ONGC) has adopted a two pronged strategy to arrest the decline in oil and gas production and improve recovery from mature fields through Redevelopment Schemes and early Monetization of Marginal Fields which were not techno-economically viable earlier, are now viable through induction of the state of art technologies, optimization of facilities, regrouping of structures, hub development etc.

Actions are in hand for expeditious development of fields in Eastern Offshore, for which a separate Asset has been created.

In addition to focus on repair of existing wells, artificial lift and stimulation of wells, various efforts are being made/ planned for enhancing crude oil and natural gas production.

As far as Oil India Limited (OIL) is concerned, OIL's development plans for the next five years are as under:

OIL is planning to increase its in-country crude oil and natural gas production during the XIIth plan as under:

XI- Plan
(Anticipated) XII Plan % increase

Crude Oil 17.49 MMT 20.08MMT 14.8%

Natural Gas 12.01 BCM 19.40 BCM 61.5%

Contribution planned from ongoing developmental work in fields like Baghjan, Barekuri, Hapjan, Makum, Chabua and Upper Assam.

Contribution from extensive EOR/IOR, Workover and well optimization jobs.

Contribution from exploration in new areas under nomination PELs, NELP Blocks.