## GOVERNMENT OF INDIA PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:876 ANSWERED ON:01.03.2013 RANKING OF ONGC Kumar Shri P.

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

- (a) whether the Oil and Natural Gas Corporation (ONGC) has been sliding in the global ranking among other Oil Marketing Companies (OMCs) over the past three years.
- (b) if so, the details thereof along with the reasons therefor, and
- (c) the corrective measures taken / proposed to be taken by the Government in this regard?

## **Answer**

## MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM & NATURAL GAS (SMT. PANABAAKA LAKSHMI)

(a) to (c) Oil and Natural Gas Corporation Limited(ONGC) is engaged in the Exploration and Production(E&P) of Hydrocarbons. Exploration & Production(E&P) activities are categorized as upstream activities in the hydrocarbon industry; whereas marketing activities(i.e. the business undertaken by Oil Marketing Companies(OMCs) are downstream activities. The entire gamut of business and operations being different; any comparison of ONGC with OMCs- including their rankings- is not feasible.