

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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PRODUCTION OF GAS KG D BLOCK
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Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

- (a) the estimated average annual production of gas in the country after Reliance Industries Ltd. has started gas production from D6 Gas basin;
- (b) the percentage of Administered price Mechanism (APM) gas production to the total gas production; and
- (c) the percentage of gas being produced by Oil and Natural Gas Corporation (ONGC) and Oil India Ltd. alongwith its average sale price?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM & NATURAL GAS (SHRI JITIN PRASADA)

- (a): The present average production of gas from all sources in the country, including flaring and internal use, is around 139 mmscmd.
- (b): Out of the total gas production, 37% is sold by ONGC & OIL at Administered Price Mechanism (APM) rates.
- (c): Out of the total gas production referred in (a) above, ONGC and OIL produce 44.3% and 4.47% respectively.

The gas produced by ONGC & OIL is being sold to power & fertilizers sectors at APM rate of Rs.3200/mscm (thousand standard cubic meters) outside North-East & at Rs.1820/mscm in North-East. As regards other APM customers, i.e., Court mandated customers and customers up to 50,000 scmd (standard cubic meters per day), natural gas is sold at Rs.3840/mscm outside North-East & at Rs.2304/mscm in North-East. Further, the gas produced by ONGC & OIL is sold at non-APM rates of US\$4.75/mmbtu (million British thermal unit) in Gujarat, Maharashtra & along HBJ, at Rs.3200/mscm in North-East & at US\$3.86/mmbtu in the rest of the country. The mentioned price excludes royalty, transportation charge, taxes, etc.