

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

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CRUDE OIL PRODUCTION IN RAJASTHAN
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Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether crude oil production has been started in Rajasthan;
- (b) if so, the average rate of production in the region;
- (c) the names of the organisations given approval by the Government to purchase this crude oil;
- (d) whether any percentage of the total production of crude oil has been fixed for these organisations; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof alongwith the formula laid down for determining the selling price of this crude oil?

Answer

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

- (a) Yes, Madam. Commercial production of crude oil has commenced with effect from 29.8.2009 from the Mangala Field in the Block RJ-ON-90/1 in Rajasthan.
- (b) The average rate of oil production is about 8700 Barrels of Oil Per Day (BOPD).
- (c) Indian Oil Corporation Limited (IOCL), Hindustan Petroleum Corporation Limited (HPCL) and Mangalore Refinery and Petrochemicals Limited (MRPL) have been nominated by the Government to purchase the crude from this block.
- (d) and (e) Based on configuration of refineries, IOCL, HPCL and MRPL have been nominated to take crude to the volume of 0.2 Million Metric Tonne (MMT), 0.3 MMT and 0.2 MMT respectively against the total estimated production of 2.2 MMT for the year 2009-2010. For the year 2010-2011, IOCL have been nominated to purchase 1.5 MMT, HPCL 0.5 MMT and MRPL 0.4 MMT of crude against the total estimated production of 6.8 MMT.

As per the Production Sharing Contract (PSC), the price of the crude oil sold to Government or a Government Company is determined on the basis of average FOB.