GOVERNMENT OF INDIA PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:206 ANSWERED ON:24.11.2014 IMPORT OF EXPENSIVE GAS BY GAIL Nayak Shri B.V.

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

(a)whether the Government has taken any steps to protect the Gas Authority of India Limited (GAIL) from incurring monetary loss in oil procurement;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether GAIL is importing expensive gas for its own petro-chemical units; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM & NATURAL GAS (SHRI DHARMENDRA PRADHAN)

(a): Madam, GAIL does not procure oil (crude oil).

(b): Does not arise in view of (a) above.

(c) & (d): Yes, Madam. Due to decline in availability of domestic natural gas, GAIL is also using imported Re-gasified Liquefied Natural Gas (RLNG) for its petrochemical plant for meeting the requirement. During April September 2014, the petrochemical plant of GAIL at Pata has consumed 2.27 MMSCMD of RLNG (at 9000 kcal/sm3).