

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2272
TO BE ANSWERED ON 2ND AUGUST, 2021**

Hydrocarbons Reservoirs

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पेट्रोलियम और प्राकृतिक गैस मंत्री

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

- (a) whether several hydrocarbons reservoirs containing crude and natural gas are located inside the premises of the closed paper mill of the Hindustan Paper Corporation (HPC) at Panchgram in Hailakandi district of Assam;
- (b) if so, the details of the companies which extracted the hydrocarbons including the time since which it is being extracted and the present status of these reserves; and
- (c) whether ONGC has been paying royalties and other charges to HPC on account of the hydrocarbons reserves being located inside the land owned by them?

ANSWER

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(श्री रामेश्वर तेली)

**MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS
(SHRI RAMESWAR TELI)**

(a) ONGC has a Petroleum Mining Lease (PML) of Badarpur Block in the state of Assam which is spread over an area of 2.4 square kilometres. The Hindustan Paper Corporation (HPC) is located within area of this Block. Part of hydrocarbon reservoir of Badarpur Block falls inside the premises of the closed paper mill of HPC.

(b) ONGC has produced 0.0181 Million Metric tonnes (MMt) of crude oil cumulatively from Badarpur field since 1986-87 till production ceased in 2012. At present, the hydrocarbon wells are closed for technical reasons and no hydrocarbon is being produced from Badarpur PML.

As on 01.04.2021, Estimated Ultimate Recovery (EUR) is to the tune of 0.0355 MMt, with a component of contingent resources of 0.0174 MMt of oil from the Badarpur field.

(c) ONGC has paid land rent to HPC upto March 2019. Royalty of the oil and gas is paid to the state government for onland blocks.