

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS
RAJYA SABHA
QUESTION NO 02.03.2010
ANSWERED ON
SUPREME COURT JUDGMENTS ON GAS PRICING POLICY

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Will the Minister of COAL, HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE, INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING, PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state :-

- (a) whether it is a fact that the Supreme Court had delivered certain judgments over the last twenty years that have had direct bearing on gas pricing and gas utilization policy;
- (b) if so, the details of such judgments and their main highlights;
- (c) whether the Supreme Court had invoked certain articles of the Constitution to articulate its stand on gas utilization policy in a few cases;
- (d) if so, how have these judgments impacted Government policies;
- (e) whether Government took into account these judgments in its written submissions to the Supreme Court in the RIL-RNRL gas dispute and in the NTPC-RIL gas dispute cases; and
- (f) if not, the reasons therefor?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS

(SHRI MURLI DEORA)

(a) to (d) : The information will be collected and provided.

(e) and (f) : The matter relating to the gas dispute between RIL and RNRL is subjudice before the Supreme Court and this Ministry is not a party to the NTPC-RIL gas dispute case.