

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM & NATURAL GAS
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PRODUCTION OF CRUDE OIL AND NATURAL GAS

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

- (a) whether crude oil production in the country has declined in the recent past;
- (b) if so, the details of the crude oil production during the last five years;
- (c) the details of the natural gas production during the last five years;
- (d) whether Government has any plans to increase production of crude oil and natural gas in the country; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

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

(a) to (c) Production of domestic crude oil and natural gas during the last five years are given as under:

Financial Year	2017-18	2018-19	2019-20	2020-21	2021-22
Crude Oil Production (Million Metric Tonne)	35.7	34.2	32.2	30.5	29.7
Natural Gas Production (Billion Cubic Metre)	32.65	32.87	31.18	28.67	34.02

(d) & (e) Various long term and short term policy initiatives have been undertaken to increase the exploration and production of oil and gas which *inter-alia* include

1. Long term Policy initiatives:

- I. Discovered Small Field Policy, 2015.
- II. Hydrocarbon Exploration and Licensing Policy, 2016.
- III. Policy for early monetization of Coal Bed Methane 2017
- IV. Setting up of National Data Repository, 2017.
- V. Re-assessment of Hydrocarbon Resources 2017
- VI. Policy to Promote and Incentivize Enhanced Recovery Methods for Oil and Gas, 2018.
- VII. Policy framework for Exploration and exploitation of Coal Bed Methane (CBM) from areas under Coal Mining Lease allotted to Coal India Limited (CIL) and its subsidiaries 2018.

- VIII. Policy Framework for Exploration and Exploitation of Unconventional Hydrocarbons under Existing Production Contracts and Nomination Fields, 2018.
- IX. Reforms in Hydrocarbon Exploration and Licensing Policy for enhancing domestic exploration and production of oil and gas 2019.

2. Short and medium term initiatives:

- i. Early Monetization of Existing Discoveries.
- ii. Improving Recovery Factor through implementation of Improved Oil Recovery (IOR) and Enhanced Oil Recovery (EOR) techniques.
- iii. Revival of sick wells.
- iv. Renewal of Facilities and other infrastructure.
- v. Monetization of small and marginal discoveries in onshore through service contract and outsourcing.
- vi. Redevelopment of existing matured fields and development of new fields/marginal fields.
- vii. Induction of suitable technologies on selective fields.
