

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS  
**RAJYA SABHA**  
**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1567**  
ANSWERED ON 09/12/2024

**NATURAL GAS PRODUCTION IN THE COUNTRY**

1567#SMT. GEETA ALIAS CHANDRAPRABHA:

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

- (a) the figures of production of natural gas in the country at present;
- (b) the name of the states producing the highest quantity of natural gas;
- (c) whether the natural gas is being produced at any place in Uttar Pradesh; if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) whether any special programme is being run by Government to discover new sources of natural gas, if so, the details thereof?

**ANSWER**

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM & NATURAL GAS  
(SHRI SURESH GOPI)

(a) & (b) During FY 2023-24 the production of natural gas in the country was 36.44 Billion Cubic Metres. While it is 18.16 BCM for the current year 2024-25 (upto September 2024). State-wise production of natural gas during FY 2023-24 is as below:

<b>State/Location</b>	<b>Natural Gas Production (BCM)</b>
Andhra Pradesh	0.72
Arunachal Pradesh	0.04
Assam	3.49
Eastern Offshore	10.82
Gujarat	0.93
JHARKHAND	0.01
MADHYA PRADESH	0.23
Rajasthan	2.2
Tamil Nadu	1.02
Tripura	1.52
WEST BENGAL	0.41
Western Offshore	15.05
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>36.44</b>

(c) No Sir, Natural gas has not been produced in Uttar Pradesh so far.

(d) The Government has taken various measures and reforms to accelerate the pace of exploration activities and to discover new sources of crude oil and natural gas which are as under:

- The Government has awarded 144 blocks having a total area of 2,42,056 Sq. Km. under eight rounds of Open Acreages Licensing Policy (OALP) Biddings. Exploratory efforts in blocks have resulted in 13 hydrocarbon discoveries.
- To make quality data of Indian Sedimentary Basins available to bidders to find potential oil and gas reserves the Govt. has allocated Rs.7500 Cr for various Seismic programmes for appraisal of Un-appraised sedimentary basins in India.
- The Government has also approved acquisition of additional 2D Seismic data of 20,000 LKM in onland under Mission Anveshan (MA) and 30, 000 LKM in offshore beyond Exclusive Economic Zone (EEZ) of India under Extended Continental Shelf Survey (ECS) programme.
- Drilling of stratigraphic wells for acquisition of seismic data in offshore areas is also being undertaken.

These measures are aimed at finding more oil and gas reserves, which will help increase our country's oil and gas production.

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