

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS  
**RAJYA SABHA**  
**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO- 1894**  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 17/03/2025

**DRILLING WELLS FOR OIL AND GAS**

1894# SHRI UPENDRA KUSHWAHA:

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

- (a) whether the Oil and Natural Gas Corporation (ONGC) is planning to undertake drilling wells for oil and gas in the State of Bihar;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the progress of the aforementioned plan?

**ANSWER**

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

(a) to (c) Oil & Natural Gas Corporation (ONGC) Limited has initiated exploratory drilling activities in Bihar. It has acquired 8489.50 Line Kilometre (LKM) of 2-Dimensional (2D) and 1299.66 Square Kilometre (SKM) of 3-Dimensional (3D) seismic data. It has so far drilled eight exploratory wells in the State.

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