# LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3392 TO BE ANSWERED ON 9<sup>th</sup> December, 2019

## **Exploration of Petroleum Resources**

### 3392. SHRI PINAKI MISRA:

पैट्रो लयम व प्राकृतिक गैस मंत्री

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

- (a) whether the exploration and exploitation of petroleum resources within India's borders is being undertaken by the Government either by itself or with some form of private partnership; and
- (b) if so, the details thereof in terms of geographical areas where exploration is taking place, the progress so far and the private entities involved, if any?

#### **ANSWER**

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# MINISTER OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI DHARMENDRA PRADHAN)

(a) & (b) Exploration and exploitation of petroleum resources within the country are being undertaken by Public Sector Undertakings and private companies including domestic Indian companies and foreign companies either standalone or through Indian subsidiary or unincorporated Joint Venture basis. At present, exploration activities by private E&P companies in onland areas under various contractual regimes is taking place across approximate 32,000 sq. km area. Upto 2018-19, approximate 21,000 line km. of 2D seismic Survey, 14,000 sq. km of 3D seismic survey and 400 exploratory wells in exploratory acreages have carried out by private E&P companies in onland areas.

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