

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 752
TO BE ANSWERED ON 21st July, 2022

Extraction of Methane Hydrate

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पेट्रोलियम और प्राकृतिक गैस मंत्री

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

- (a) whether the Government has taken steps for commercial extraction of methane hydrate deposits in Krishna-Godavari basin and Mahanadi- Andaman basin, which has potential to make India energy independent;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) if not, the reasons therefor?

ANSWER

पेट्रोलियम और प्राकृतिक गैस मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री
(श्री रामेश्वर तेली)

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

(a) & (b): Gas hydrate exploration in India is taken up under National Gas Hydrate Program (NGHP). Till date, two expeditions have been undertaken under NGHP to explore the presence of gas hydrates. Under first programme, NGHP-01, in 2006, 39 holes were drilled at 21 sites in Krishna-Godavari (KG), Mahanadi, Andaman, and Kerala-Konkan Basin and under second programme, NGHP-02, in 2015, 42 holes were drilled at 25 sites in KG and Mahanadi Basin.

(c): Does not arise in view of above.
