

LOK SABHA
STARRED QUESTION NO. *165
TO BE ANSWERED ON 31.07.2025

GAS LEAK INCIDENTS IN ONGC'S WELLS

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पेट्रोलियम और प्राकृतिक गैस मंत्री

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

- (a) the details of incidents of gas leaks or blowouts that have taken place in the wells of Oil and Natural Gas Corporation (ONGC) Limited during each of the last five years and the current year, location-wise;
- (b) whether any safety audit has been conducted in this regard; and
- (c) if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

पेट्रोलियम एवं प्राकृतिक गैस मंत्री
(श्री हरदीप सिंह पुरी)

MINISTER OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS
(SHRI HARDEEP SINGH PURI)

(a) to (c): A statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (A) TO (C) IN RESPECT OF LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. *165 TO BE ANSWERED ON 31.07.2025 REGARDING 'GAS LEAK INCIDENTS IN ONGC'S WELLS' ASKED BY SHRI HARISH CHANDRA MEENA

(a) to (c) :As per information furnished by Oil Industry Safety Directorate (OISD), a gas leak or blowout is an uncontrolled flow of well fluids and/ or formation fluids at surface or sub-surface from the wellbore.

The details of incidents of blowouts or gas leaks, which have taken place in the wells of Oil and Natural Gas Corporation (ONGC) Limited during last five years and current year, are as follows:

Year	No. of blow outs at ONGC's Wells	Well No.	Asset	Date of incident – Date of capping
2020-21	0	-	-	-
2021-22	0	-	-	-
2022-23	0	-	-	-
2023-24	0	-	-	-
2024-25	0	-	-	-
2025-26 (till 24.07.2025)	1	RDS#147A	Sivasagar, Assam Asset	12.06.2025 - 27.06.2025

As a technical directorate under the Ministry of Petroleum and Natural Gas (MoPNG), OISD formulates standards and conducts external safety audits of Oil and Gas installations (including of rigs and wells) periodically. The detail of safety audits conducted by OISD at ONGC Installations during the last five years is as follows:

Financial Year	No. of Installations Audited
2020-21	70
2021-22	94
2022-23	104
2023-24	105
2024-25	118

Additionally, as a regular exercise, ONGC also carries out internal safety audit of their installations through their Health, Safety & Environment Department.

As per OISD and ONGC, in respect of the aforesaid installation, ie RDS#147A, the last External and Internal Safety Audits were conducted in May, 2022 and Feb, 2025, respectively.
