

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3047
TO BE ANSWERED ON 18TH DECEMBER 2025

COAL BEDS FUNCTIONAL FOR EXTRACTION OF METHANE

3047. Dr. Thirumaavalavan Tholkappiyan:

पेट्रोलियम और प्राकृतिक गैस मंत्री

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

- (a) whether the Government has details about the number of coal beds functional for extraction of methane across the country, if so, the details thereof, State/UT-wise; and
- (b) whether the Government has details about the number of methane-extracting coal beds operated by the Public Sector and Private Sector, if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

पेट्रोलियम और प्राकृतिक गैस मंत्रालय में राज्यमंत्री
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MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS
(SHRI SURESH GOPI)

(a) & (b) At present, fifteen (15) operational Coal-Bed Methane (CBM) blocks across the country include 6 at Production stage, 2 at Development stage and 7 under Exploration. Of the fifteen (15) operational CBM blocks, five (05) are operated by Public Sector entities, nine (09) by Private Sector companies, and one (01) block is under joint operatorship between Public and Private Sector companies. The details of these CBM blocks - State/UT wise, field status and operator (Public Sector and Private Sector Companies) wise is annexed.

Annexure

Annexure referred to in reply to Lok Sabha Unstarred Question No. 3047 asked by Dr. Thirumaavalavan Tholkappian to be answered on 18.12.2025 regarding “Coal Beds Functional For Extraction Of Methane”.

Sr. No.	Block	State	Public Sector / Private Sector	Operator	Field Status
1	Raniganj (North)	West Bengal	Public Sector	ONGC	Development
2	Jharia	Jharkhand	Public Sector	ONGC	Production
3	BK-CBM-2001/1	Jharkhand	Public Sector	ONGC	Production
4	BP-ONHP(CBM)-2021/2	Jharkhand	Public Sector	ONGC	Exploration
5	SR-ONHP(CBM)-2021/5	Madhya Pradesh	Public Sector	ONGC	Exploration
6	Raniganj (South)	West Bengal	Private Sector	GEECL	Production
7	RG(East)-CBM-2001/1	West Bengal	Private Sector	EOGEPL	Production
8	SP(East)-CBM-2001/1	Madhya Pradesh	Private Sector	RIL	Development
9	SP(West)-CBM-2001/1	Madhya Pradesh	Private Sector	RIL	Production
10	SP-ONHP(CBM)-2021/1	Madhya Pradesh	Private Sector	Invenire Petrodyne	Exploration
11	SR-ONHP(CBM)-2021/6	Chhattisgarh	Private Sector	Vedanta	Exploration
12	SR-ONHP(CBM)-2022/4	Madhya Pradesh	Private Sector	Transcontinental Natural Res. Ltd.	Exploration
13	SR-ONHP(CBM)-2022/5	Madhya Pradesh	Private Sector	Transcontinental Natural Res. Ltd.	Exploration
14	SR-ONHP(CBM)-2022/6	Chhattisgarh	Private Sector	Oilmax Energy Pvt. Ltd.	Exploration
15	NK-CBM-2001/1	Jharkhand	Joint Operator Ship (Public & Private)	ONGC and PEPL	Production