

**Transfer of ONGC headquarters from
Dehradun**

2686. SHRI TARIQ ANWAR: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that ONGC is transferring its headquarters from Dehradun to any other place;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether Government as well as the public would face financial losses, if big companies like ONGC shifts its headquarters from Dehradun; and

(d) what are the steps Government are taking to safeguard the interest?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI DINSHA J. PATEL): (a) No, Sir.

(b) to (d) Do not arise.

Burning of gas

2687. SHRI THANGA TAMIL SELVAN: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) the details of wells where gas is being burnt;

(b) the quantum of gas burnt annually; and

(c) the steps taken to store the gas?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI DINSHA J. PATEL): (a) No natural gas is being flared at any well site of Oil and Natural Gas Corporation Limited (ONGC), Oil India Limited (OIL) and Private Companies/Joint Ventures (Pvt. Cos./JVs). However, a small quantity of low pressure natural gas is being flared in the field installations of ONGC, OIL and Pvt. Cos./JVs in their operational areas located in Western offshore, Assam, Arunachal Pradesh, Rajasthan, Andhra Pradesh and Tamil Nadu.

(b) The quantum of gas flared by ONGC, OIL and Pvt. Cos./JVs during 2005-06 is as follows:

(in million standard cubic metres)

ONGC	:	591.30
OIL	:	149.80
Pvt. Cos./JVs	:	69.42

(c) Presently, ONGC and Pvt. Cos./JVs do not have any plan for gas storage. However, OIL has facilities to store gas in underground reservoir.

The following measures have been or are being taken by ONGC, OIL and Pvt. Cos/JVs to reduce flaring of gas:

- i) Installation of Supervisory Control and Data Acquisition (SCADA) system for effective control of gas system.
- ii) Getting new fields connected to the gas network immediately.
- iii) Incorporation of capacity control in gas compressors and installation of gas holders to negate the surging effect.
- iv) Supply of low pressure gas from marginal fields directly to low pressure systems of tea gardens in the vicinity.
- v) Further de-bottlenecking of existing gas transportation lines.
- vi) Boosting of low pressure gas at isolated fields through gas compression.
- vii) Identification of small consumers near isolated fields where gas is being produced at low pressure in low quantities.
- viii) Urging consumers of natural gas to uplift committed quantity of gas as there are no fall back customers.
- ix) Installation of low pressure booster compressors.
- x) Implementation of Zero Gas Flaring Projects at Offshore installations.

Petroleum deposits In Goa

2688. SHRI SHANTARAM LAXMAN NAIK: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether any petroleum deposit have been found off the Coast of Goa; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?