

New discoveries by ONGC

3704. DR. K.V.P. RAMACHANDRA RAO: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that ONGC had made nine discoveries during last fiscal on the west coast basin;
- (b) if so, the details of the new discoveries made by ONGC during the last three years;
- (c) the present status of the discoveries; and
- (d) by when the commercial production is likely to start?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI R.P.N. SINGH): (a) During the last fiscal year (2010-11), ONGC has made five discoveries in west coast basin (western offshore).

(b) to (d) During 2008-09 to 2010-11, ONGC has made 72 discoveries in its onland and offshore operational areas. As on 01.07.2011, out of 72 discoveries, a total of 29 discoveries have been put on production.

The process to put a field on production from new discoveries consists of various steps which, inter-alia, includes field appraisal/delineation, issuance of Mining Lease, drilling of development wells and setting up processing facilities.

Employment created under MGNREGS

†3705. SHRI BHAGAT SINGH KOSHYARI:

SHRI PRABHAT JHA:

Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of employment created, wages given and progress of work made under the Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Scheme (MGNREGS) during last one year, State-wise;
- (b) whether any case of corruption in MGNREGS has come to light before Government during last one year; and
- (c) if so, the details thereof?

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.