Gas prices fixed by ONGC and oil

- 433. SHRI VISHAMBHAR PRASAD NISHAD: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM and NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:
- (a) whether it is a fact that Oil and Natural Gas Corporation(ONGC) and Oil India Limited (OIL) sell gas to consumers in the country;
- (b) if so, the quantity of different kinds of gases produced by these companies in the country;
- (c) the quantity of different kinds of gases which are sold to consumers along with the rates thereof; and
 - (d) the basis on which selling price of gas is fixed?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI DHARMENDRA PRADHAN): (a) Oil and Natural Gas Corporation Limited (ONGC) and Oil India Limited (OIL) sell part of their gas to bulk consumers in the country.

(b) and (c) The quantity of gas produced and sold by ONGC and OIL from April to September 2014 are as follows:

(Figure in MMSCM)

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Type of gas	Gas Production	Gas Sales
ONGC		
Natural Gas	10980	8481
CBM Gas	1 101	1 101

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Type of Gas	Gas Production	Gas sales
OIL		
Natural Gas	1370.62	1106

Rates of gases sold by ONGC and OIL are as per given in the Statement (See below).

(d) The price of gas is fixed as per the policy determined by the Government from time to time.

Statement

Details of the gas prices of ONGC are as under:

(1) Govt. Administered Price of Natural gas:

- A. Price applicable from 01.11.2014 onward: USD 5.05/MMBTU(on GCV basis)*
- B. Previous prices applicable upto 31.10.2014:
 - (i) APM Consumer Price US\$ 4.20/MMBTU on NCV basis. For North East Region the price is 60% of this price.
 - (ii) Non-APM Consumer Price:
 - (a) Western & Northern Zone: US\$ 5.25/MMBTU (on NCV basis)**
 - (b) Southern Zone (KG-Basin): US\$ 4.50/MMBTU(on NCV basis)
 - (c) Southern Zone (Cauvery Basin): US\$ 4.75/MMBTU (on NCV basis)
 - (d) North East; US\$ 4.2/ MMBTU (on NCV basis)
 - (e) Rajasthan, South Gujarat and isolated customers in Gujarat, who are getting gas from identified onshore fields: US\$ 5.00/MMBTU (on NCV basis).

(2) ONGC contractually fixed price of natural gas in Tripura (North East) against specific Govt. allocation:

- (i.) For supplies to TSECl Rokhi & Baramura and TNGCL (through GAIL): Base Price is ₹4125/ MSCM @ NCV 8000 Kcal/SCM for the Base year 2008-09 and escalated @ 4% p.a. thereafter.
- (ii.) For direct supplies to OTPC Power Plant: Base Price is ₹4177/MSCM @ NCV 8000Kcal/SCM for Base year 2008-09 and escalated @ 4% p.a. thereafter.

(3) For CBM Gas:

Interim price of US\$ 5.71/MMBTU(on NCV basis).

- (4) Gas price finalization through e-tendering based on Govt. of India guidelines dated 8.7.2013:
 - (i.) Gamij-GGS-2 field US\$ 10.10/MMBTU(on NCV basis)
 - (ii.) Gamij-GGS-3: US\$ 11.10/MMBTU(on NCV basis)
 - (iii.) Warosan 4: US\$ 10.50/MMBTU(on NCV basis)
 - (iv.) Triputallu, Kaza, Mandapeta 23, Gokarnapuram, Suryaraopeta: US\$ 11.20/MMBTU(on NCV basis)

Details of rates of the gas sold by OIL are as under:

Non-APM US\$ 4.2/MMBTU (on NCV basis) (Revised to 5.05/MMBTU (on GCV basis) w.e.f. 01.11.2014).

For North East region the price is 60% of the normal price.

Note: * GCV(Gross Calorific Value)

* * NCV(Net Calorific Value)

Theft of gas from KG Basin

†434.SHRI MAHENDRA SINGH MAHRA: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Oil and Natural Gas Corporation has publicly levelled charges of theft of gas from the Krishna-Godavari basin;
- (b) if so, the names of the companies and price of gas that they have been alleged to have been stolen:
 - (c) whether Government proposes to recover the cost of stolen gas; and
 - (d) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI DHARMENDRA PRADHAN): (a) to (d) In May, 2014, ONGC filed an extra-ordinary writ petition (civil) No. 1279/14 in Delhi High Court against Union of India, DGH and RIL (operator of the block KG-DWN-98/3).

In the Writ Petition, ONGC has alleged that M/s Reliance Industries Ltd. (RIL) has extracted gas running into approximately 18 Billion cubic meters (BCM) resulting in the loss of several thousand crores of rupees from its block KG-DWN-98/2 and Godavari PML

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