

Months	Petrol (₹/litre)	% Increase
Feb-20	72.23	-3.7%
Mar-20	70.15	-2.9%
Apr-20	69.59	-0.8%
May-20	71.04	2.1%
Jun-20	76.10	7.1%
Jul-20	80.43	5.7%
Aug-20	80.95	0.6%
Sep-20	82.07	1.4%

Note: As provided by IOCL

Gas leakage and fire breakout

448. SHRI RAJEEV SATAV: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the number of incidents of gas leakage and fire break out in underground natural gas pipelines, refineries and oil fields/wells have gone up;

(b) if so, the details along with number of such incidents and the loss of revenue reported as a result thereof during each of the last three years and the current year; and

(c) whether the oil companies/persons and other agencies have been found responsible/involved in such incidents and if so, the details thereof along with action taken by Government against them?

THE MINISTER OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI DHARMENDRA PRADHAN): (a) to (c) Major onsite incidents in the last three years reported to Oil Industry Safety Directorate (OISD), are given below:—

Sector	2017-18	2018-19	2019-20	2020-21 (till August 2020)
Pipelines	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
Refineries	06	10	07	01
Oil Fields/ Wells	08	06	03	01
TOTAL	14	16	10	02

In most incidents of gas leakages in any installation e.g. pipeline, the oil and gas wells, etc. are closed immediately to prevent fire/loss of oil and gas and after carrying out leakage rectification job, operations are normalized and production is restored. Concerned Companies upon inquiry of the incident initiate the necessary action against the officers/persons found responsible/involved as per the extant rules and regulations of the Company.

Studies to examine natural gas and petroleum extraction

449. SHRI T.G. VENKATESH: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government has undertaken studies to examine the extraction of natural gas and petroleum potential in the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the studies have proven any positive result, if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) whether any such study has been conducted in Andhra Pradesh, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI DHARMENDRA PRADHAN): (a) to (c) Hydrocarbon Resource Re-Assessment Project (HCRRP) was undertaken in 2017. The project has assessed total un-risked conventional hydrocarbon in-place volume of 42 Billion Ton Oil-Equivalent (BTOE) as compared to earlier estimate of 28 BTOE. National Seismic Programme was launched in 2016 to carry out 2D seismic survey in un-appraised on land areas. Till 31.07.2020, data for 44916 line kilometer has been acquired.

(d) HCRRP has assessed 9.55 BToE in Krishna Godavari (KG) basin. The Project brought out that most prospective onland areas in Andhra Pradesh for oil and gas exploration are East Godavari, West Godavari and Krishna district.

CNG network in all metros and cities

450. DR. BANDA PRAKASH: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

- (a) the present status of import and in-house production of PNG and CNG in the country; and