

other onland well (Karaikal-10) completed in the year 1977 which produced non-commercial oil-water emulsion and 2 wells (PY-1-1 and PY-2-1) in the offshore which yielded gas, all other wells were dry. The entire data of onshore and offshore was analysed and a new approach to exploration was adopted by the ONGC in 1980. The offshore structures PY-1 and PY-3 which indicated gas on drilling, were taken up for drilling as a consequence of this approach. One more location in the offshore (PY-1-3) has been released for drilling. A location (Kovilkalappal-1) has also been released for exploratory drilling onshore. However, the onshore area is one of the blocks of areas which have been opened up for exploration by foreign parties by the Government.

Since only gas in small quantities has so far been countered in the wells drilled in Porto Novo offshore structure, it is too early to comment on the commercial usefulness of the findings. Further exploratory efforts are being continued.

Maintaining of Roster for Promotion of Scheduled Castes/Scheduled Tribe Employees in Madras Refinery Limited

4763. SHRI K.B.S. MANI : Will the Minister of PETROLEUM, CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS be pleased to state :

(a) is it a fact that no roster is being maintained in Madras Refinery Limited for direct recruitment and for promotions/upgradations in the case of Scheduled Castes/Scheduled Tribes employees ;

(b) if not maintained, the reasons there of;

(c) if maintained, detailed particulars—Department-wise, year-wise, grade-wise—from the date of issue of Government orders ;

(d) if there is any backlog, when this backlog will be cleared; if cleared already the details thereof;

(e) how many employees are recruited/promoted/upgraded, from the formation of the Company, year-wise, Department-wise, grade-wise details ; and

(f) how many are scheduled castes/scheduled tribes among them ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE
IN THE MINISTRY OF PETRO-
LEUM, CHEMICALS AND
FERTILIZERS : (SHRI DALBIR
SINGH) :

(a) to (f) : The material is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

Demand of Diesel and Kerosene oil by Madhya Pradesh

4764. SHRI SUBHASH YADAV
Will the Minister of PETRO-
LEUM, CHEMICALS AND FER-
TILIZERS be pleased to state :

(a) what has been the demand of diesel and kerosene oil of Madhya Pradesh during 1978, 1979 and 1980;

(b) the extent to which this demand has been met ; and

(c) what steps Government propose to take to allot more diesel and Kerosene oil to Madhya Pradesh

THE MINISTER OF PETRO-
LEUM, CHEMICALS AND
FERTILIZERS (SHRI P.C. SETHI)

(a) and b) : It is not possible to indicate the demand of high speed diesel (HSD) and Kerosene in Madhya Pradesh for the years 1978, 1979 and 1980. However, the Madhya Pradesh Government had indicated in recent months that the requirement of these products in the state are of the order of 40,000 tonnes and 20,000 tonnes respectively per month. While the system of monthly alloca-