

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS
LOK SABHA**

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ONGC ENTRANCE INTO POWER GENERATION
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Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Oil and Natural Gas Corporation had decided to enter the power generation business;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the ONGC had signed agreement with the State Governments for setting up special economic zone; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF PETROLEUM & NATURAL GAS AND PANCHAYATI RAJ (SHRI MANI SHANKAR AIYAR)

(a) & (b) : Oil and Natural Gas Corporation Limited (ONGC)'s plan to set up power plants is at a concept stage only.

(c) & (d) : ONGC has not signed any agreement with State Governments to set up Special Economic Zones. However, an MOU has been entered into with the Gujarat Industrial Development Corporation and discussions are taking place with Andhra Pradesh and Karnataka states for establishing units in their SEZs.