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"This will enhance the investment capacity to take up development projects, which are capital intensive and involve higher risks," it added.

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Headline- Government approves 20% premium for gas from new wells for ONGC

ఓఎన్‌జీసీ కొత్త బావులు

సహజ వాయువుకు 20% ప్రీమియం ధర

దిల్లీ: కొత్త బావుల నుంచి ఓఎన్‌జీసీ ఉత్పత్తి చేసే సహజ వాయువు (గ్యాస్)కు నియంత్రిత (ఏపీఎం) ధరపై 20% ప్రీమియంకు ప్రభుత్వం సోమవారం ఆమోదం తెలిపింది. విద్యుత్-ఎరువుల ఉత్పత్తికి, వాహనాలను నడిపేందుకు అవసరమైన సీఎన్‌జీగా మార్చడానికి, వంట కోసం గృహాలకు పైపుల ద్వారా సరఫరా చేయడానికి ఉపయోగించే సహజ వాయువు దేశీయ ఉత్పత్తిలో ఎక్కువ భాగాన్ని రెండు ధరల విధానాలు నియంత్రిస్తున్నాయి. ప్రభుత్వ ఆధీనంలోని ఓఎన్‌జీసీ, ఆయిల్ ఇండియాలకు నామినేషన్ ప్రాతిపదికన కేటాయించిన సంప్రదాయ క్షేత్రాల నుంచి ఉత్పత్తి చేసిన

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OUTPUT BOOSTER

- Currently, the gas price is fixed at **10% of the Indian crude basket price**, and revised on a monthly basis

- The implementation of the policy comes amidst govt's target of increasing the share of natural gas to **15% in the energy mix from the current 6% by 2030**
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ARUNIMA BHARADWAJ
New Delhi, August 12

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The board has also approved another project - Integrated Development of 4 contract areas under DSF-II at a project cost of ₹6,000 crore.

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Stock Ideas

ONGC - technical call of the day

ONGC is in overall uptrend and holding gains at higher zones. It is on the verge of giving range breakout on daily chart. It is trading above all crucial moving averages with momentum indicator RSI giving bullish cross over.

Buy ONGC

CMP	341
SL	330
TRGT	360

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Higher price for new gas to make development projects viable: ONGC

Our Bureau
New Delhi

The notification by the Ministry of Petroleum & Natural Gas (MoPNG) on higher price for gas produced from new wells or well intervention in nomination fields of ONGC and Oil India will make new developments viable, the state-run ONGC said on Monday.

The Ministry notified that allocation of gas produced from new wells or well interventions from nominated fields of ONGC and Oil India will be at 20 per cent premium over the administered price mechanism price, the exploration and production major said.

The modalities for the same had to be worked out by the Directorate General of Hydrocarbon (DGH) for the approval of the Oil Ministry, it added.

NATIONAL VISION

As per the guidelines for domestic gas pricing, domestic natural gas price (APM price) was fixed at 10 per cent of the Indian crude basket price as announced by Petroleum Planning and Analysis (PPAC) on a monthly basis. ONGC stated that the increased gas prices will make new gas projects viable, enabling the production of natural gas from challenging fields. This will boost investment capacity, allowing for capital-intensive projects with higher risks.

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"The modalities for the same had to be worked out by the Directorate General of Hydrocarbon (DGH) for approval of the Ministry of Petroleum and Natural Gas (MOPNG)," ONGC said in a statement.

The ministry, it said, has now notified the allocation of gas produced from new wells or well interventions from nominated fields of ONGC/OIL at a 20 per cent premium over the APM price.

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New ONGC gas at 20% premium

OUR SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT

New Delhi: The government has approved a 20 per cent premium for natural gas produced from new wells of state-owned Oil and Natural Gas Corp (ONGC), the company said on Monday.

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Day trading guide

24360 » Nifty 50 Futures

S1	S2	R1	R2	COMMENT
24260	24180	24400	24520	Go short on a break below 24260 with a stop-loss at 24290

₹1661 » HDFC Bank

S1	S2	R1	R2	COMMENT
1645	1590	1680	1720	Go long only above 1680. Keep the stop-loss at 1670

₹1797 » Infosys

S1	S2	R1	R2	COMMENT
1780	1720	1810	1850	Go short only below 1780. Keep the stop-loss at 1795

₹494 » ITC

S1	S2	R1	R2	COMMENT
492	488	498	500	Go long now and at 493. Stop-loss can be kept at 491

₹341 » ONGC

S1	S2	R1	R2	COMMENT
337	331	345	352	Wait for dips. Go long at 338. Keep the stop-loss at 335

₹2921 » Reliance Ind.

S1	S2	R1	R2	COMMENT
2910	2870	2955	2985	Go short only below 2910. Keep the stop-loss at 2920

₹813 » SBI

S1	S2	R1	R2	COMMENT
806	800	818	823	Go short only below 806. Stop-loss can be kept at 808

₹4196 » TCS

S1	S2	R1	R2	COMMENT
4180	4160	4230	4250	Go short on a break below 4180. Keep the stop-loss at 4195

S1, S2: Support 1 & 2; R1, R2: Resistance 1 & 2.

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REFINERY-CUM-PETROCHEMICALS COMPLEX

Andhra Offers 3 Sites for BPCL Project

Co may soon zero in on location, unclear yet if the state will grant land for free

Sanjeev Choudhary

New Delhi: The Andhra Pradesh government has told the Centre that it can allot land at Machilipatnam, Ramayapatnam or Mulapeta in the state for Bharat Petroleum's (BPCL) proposed refinery-cum-petrochemicals complex, according to people familiar with the matter.

The N Chandrababu Naidu government in Andhra Pradesh is pushing for a new refinery as it can help boost economic activity and generate jobs in the state. BPCL is studying the offer for land and may soon zero in on one location, people said.

The company is considering building an integrated refinery-cum-petrochemicals complex of 9-12 million tonnes per annum (mtpa) capacity in Andhra Pradesh. Based on the refinery's configurations, a 9 mtpa capacity would require about 800-1,000 acres of land.

It's unclear how the state government plans to participate in the project and if it would grant land for free. States usually offer free land or tax concessions to make a refinery project viable. The cost of building a refinery varies widely with configurations and land costs.

Indian Oil plans to build a refinery-cum-petrochem project with a capacity of 9 mtpa at about ₹33,000 crore at Nagapattinam in Tamil Nadu. The company already possesses land for the project.

For the same capacity of 9 mtpa at Barmer in Rajasthan, Hindustan Petroleum (HPCL) is set to incur ₹72,000 crore.

Growth Formula

Refiners & their Plans

BPCL
- **9-12 mtpa** complex in Andhra Pradesh
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Indian Oil
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- Estimated cost: **₹33,000 cr**

HPCL
- **9 mtpa unit** in Rajasthan
- **Expected to** be completed next year
- Estimated cost: **₹72,000 cr (₹43,000 cr** initially)

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SETWIN launches 3-day training course on LPG

HANS NEWS SERVICE
HYDERABAD

THE Telangana State government advisor, Harkara Venugopal Rao, stated that the State government organisation, SETWIN, has come forward to train the unemployed youth in the field of LPG. Venugopal Rao launched the three-day training programme for LPG mechanics delivery boys under the auspices of the Telangana LPG Distributors Association at Indian Oil Bhavan in the city on Monday.

He said that the introduction of in-demand courses would give opportunities to the unemployed youth to settle down in life, and it was a great decision to give the training under the leadership of SETWIN.

N Giridhar Reddy, chairman of SETWIN, said that they are already providing training in electrical, electronics, civil, mechanical, mobile, and computer courses in their organisation, and by training the unemployed youth in the field of LPG, they will have a chance to have a bright future.

Candidates trained in this field will have plenty of opportunities to get employment in our country as well as abroad, he said.

SETWIN managing director K Venugopal Rao said that SETWIN is providing training in various courses for self-employment and skill development. Unemployed young women and men who join those courses will have opportunities for employment along with professional skills.

He said that the introduction of LPG courses under the leadership of SETWIN will pave the way for a brighter future for the unemployed youth so that the youth can stand on their own feet and instill self-confidence in them.

State Level Coordinator, DGM Ravindra Kumar, Indian Oil Corporation Limited Divisional LPG Sales Head Satish Kishan, Hindustan Petroleum Corporation Limited Regional Manager Manoj Goyal, Bharat Petroleum Corporation Limited (LPG) Territory Manager Ramana Kumar, Telangana LPG Distributors Association President and General Secretaries, and others were present.

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Opec trims demand outlook, cites muted growth for China

First reduction in 2024 oil demand forecast since July 2023

REUTERS
London, 12 August

The Organization of the Petroleum Exporting Countries (Opec) on Monday cut its forecast for global oil demand growth in 2024, citing weaker than expected data for the first half of the year and softer expectations for China, and also trimmed its expectation for next year.

Opec in a monthly report said world oil demand will rise by 2.11 million barrels per day (bpd) in 2024, down from growth of 2.25 million bpd expected last month.

"This slight revision reflects actual data received for the first quarter of 2024 and in some cases for the second quarter, as well as softening expectations for China's oil demand growth in 2024," Opec said.

"Despite the slow start to the summer driving season compared to the previous year, transport fuel demand is expected to remain solid due to healthy road and air mobility." This is the first reduction in Opec's 2024 forecast since it was first made in July 2023. There is a wider than usual split between forecasters on the strength of oil demand growth in 2024 due to differences over China and more broadly over the pace of the world's transition to cleaner fuels.

The reduction still leaves Opec at the top end of industry estimates. Oil was steady after the report was released, trading above $80 a barrel.

In the report, Opec also cut next year's demand growth estimate to 1.78 million bpd from 1.85 million bpd previously expected.

Opec+, which groups Opec and allies such as Russia, has implemented a series of output cuts since late 2022 to support the market. The group agreed on June 2 to extend the latest cut of 2.2 million bpd until the end of September and gradually phase it out from October.

The International Energy Agency, which represents industrialised countries, sees much lower demand growth than Opec of 970,000 bpd in 2024. The IEA also updates its figures this week.

Oil prices rose for a fifth consecutive session on Monday, extending gains from the previous week's more than 3 per cent rise, as US recession fears eased and West Asia supply risks provided support.

Brent crude futures were up 70 cents, or 0.9 per cent, at $80.36 a barrel while US West Texas Intermediate crude futures rose 84 cents, or 1.1 per cent, to $77.68.

STICKING POINTS

- Opec cites weaker than expected data for first half of 2024
- Revises forecast to **2.11 mn bpd** from **2.25 mn bpd**
- Trims 2025 demand growth estimate to **1.78 mn bpd** from **1.85 million bpd**
- Oil remained steady at **$80** a barrel

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Oil ministry for withdrawal of windfall tax

THE OIL MINISTRY has asked the finance ministry to withdraw the windfall tax on petroleum products, *ET Now* reported on Monday, citing sources. The oil ministry has sought the withdrawal due to a reduction in crude prices, the report said.

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OPEC cuts oil demand forecast for 2024 due to weak intake from China

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The Organization of the Petroleum Exporting Countries (OPEC) has slightly revised down global crude oil demand forecast for 2024, citing softer intake by China.

The world oil demand growth forecast for 2024 is revised down slightly by 135,000 barrels per day from the previous month's assessment. It now stands at a healthy 2.1 million barrels per day, well above the historical average of 1.4 million barrels per day seen prior to the COVID-19 pandemic.

Today's slight revision, OPEC said, reflects actual data received for first quarter of 2024 and in some cases from second quarter of 2024, as well as softening expectations for China's oil demand growth in 2024.

Within the main regions, oil demand from OECD countries is expected to grow by around 0.2 million barrels per day in 2024, while non-OECD oil demand is expected to increase by around 1.9 million barrels per day.

In 2025, world oil demand is also revised slightly down by 65 tb/d, reaching about 1.8 mb/d. OECD demand is expected to expand by about 0.1 mb/d in 2025, with OECD Americas contributing the largest increase.

Non-OECD demand is set to drive next year's growth, increasing by about 1.7 mb/d, led by contributions from China, the Middle East, Other Asia, and India.

Between January and April, oil futures prices rallied, with ICE Brent and NYMEX WTI front-month contracts rising by USD 9.85 and USD 10.53, or 12.4 per cent and 14.3 per cent, respectively.

"In addition to robust physical crude market fundamentals, oil futures prices were further supported by easing speculative selling, higher risk premiums and several unplanned supply outages," the OPEC report read.

Additionally, resilient global economic growth and positive economic indicators from the US and India supported market sentiment. However, uncertainties related to China's economic outlook and the US Fed's monetary policy, along with a strengthening US dollar, limited the upward momentum, the oil producers' group said.

Between May and July, oil prices declined, primarily due to sentiment driven by speculative selloffs, easing geopolitical risk premiums and mixed economic indicators.

Market sentiment was further affected by uncertainty surrounding central bank monetary policies, particularly prospects for prolonged high interest rates in the US as a means of addressing ongoing inflation.

Additionally, concerns about China's economic performance and demand growth, coupled with a slower-than-expected onset of the driving season, contributed to the downward pressure on prices, OPEC said.

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After its Q1 earnings report, ONGC presents a mixed bag of opportunities and risks. Investors should carefully weigh the impact of global oil

prices, operational efficiency, and government policies when making trading decisions. Whether as a short-term trade or a long-term investment, ONGC continues to be a significant player in the energy sector, offering potential rewards for those who navigate the market thoughtfully.

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Last week, brokerage firm Jefferies wrote in a note on ONGC that the premium pricing of gas from new wells in nomination fields could benefit volumes for the state-run oil explorer by nearly 14%.

In earlier interactions with CNBC-TV18, ONGC has highlighted that 8-10% of production get added from new wells by ONGC every year and that new wells could see prices between $9.5 - $10 per mmbtu, subject to the behaviour of crude prices.

The management had further stated that the new wells will gradually replace old wells to a large extent in the next three to four years.

For the June quarter, ONGC reported a 1.8% growth in revenue compared to the March quarter, while net profit fell by nearly 10%.

Realisations for the quarter stood at $83.05 per barrel, higher than the estimate of $82.8 per barrel.

Shares of ONGC are currently trading 2.9% higher at 342.2. The stock has risen 67% so far in 2024.

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N ew Delhi: Nearly a dozen candidates on Sunday appeared for interview before a search-cum-selection panel that is looking to appoint the new chairman of Indian Oil Corporation (IOC), the nation's largest oil firm, sources said.

While 10 out of the nearly 60 candidates who applied were called for interviews, GAIL chairman and managing director Sandeep Gupta is being considered a wildcard.

Gupta had not applied but was called for the interview, three sources aware of the matter said.

"They had invited 10 of the candidates who had applied. Gupta was the 11th person to be interviewed," one of them said.

Gupta, 58, was director (finance) in IOC before he was appointed the CMD of gas utility GAIL in October 2022.

Those interviewed on Sunday included two directors on IOC board - Satish Kumar Vaduguri (Director-Marketing) and Arvind Kumar (Director-Refineries).

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Bharat Petroleum Corporation Ltd (BPCL) director (marketing) Sukhmal Kumar Jain as well as company's director (refineries) S Khanna were also interviewed, sources said adding Hindustan Petroleum Corporation Ltd (HPCL) director (marketing) Amit Garg also appeared.

The panel is looking for a replacement for Shrikant Madhav Vaidya, whose one-year extension beyond his retirement age of 60 years ends on August 31. The Ministry of Petroleum and Natural Gas had in June sought applications from engineers, chartered accountants and cost accountants with post-graduate management degrees from leading institutions and having at least five years experience in leadership roles for the top job at IOC.

The age eligibility cut off has been set at not more than 58 years for internal candidates and 57 years for outsiders with 60 years as the retirement age. But this was relaxable in the case of deserving candidates.

This discretion was used in the case of Gupta, who has less than two years before retirement in February 2026, and Satish Kumar Vaduguri, who has only 11 months of service left.

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"The entire process is being carried out in utmost secrecy," one of the sources cited above said.

Vaidya, who took over as the chairman of India's biggest oil company on July 1, 2020, was to retire on August 31, 2023, when he attained the superannuation age of 60 years. But he was in a rare move "re-employment on a contract basis" for one year "beyond the date of his superannuation i.e with effect from September 1, 2023, till August 31, 2024," according to an official order dated August 4, 2023.

Thereafter a three-member search-cum-selection committee was constituted to find who will head IOC after August 31, 2024. The panel is headed by the government headhunter Public Enterprises Selection Board (PESB) chairperson and includes the oil secretary and former Hindustan Petroleum Corporation Ltd (HPCL) chairman M K Surana as members.

The committee, however, couldn't make much progress over the age eligibility issue.

Sources said the ministry initially proposed allowing anyone who has not attained the age of 61 years to be considered for the job. This made Vaidya eligible for the job.

However, the proposal did not find favours with the Prime Minister's Office (PMO).

Thereafter the government reverted to the old system of appointing PSUs head with 60 years as the retirement age.

Prior to Vaidya, no chairman of a Maharatna PSU was given an extension beyond 60 years in recent years. In fact, the government had last year denied Ranjan Kumar Mohapatra an eight-month extension as director (human resources) of IOC till his superannuation age.

The oil ministry recommended an extension of service for Vaidya after PESB in May last year did not make any recommendation for the next chairperson of IOC after interviewing 10 candidates, including Arvind Kumar who at that time was managing director of Chennai Petroleum Corporation Ltd (CPCL).

IOC's was the second instance in recent months where PESB did not find a suitable candidate for the top job at blue-chip oil companies and retired personnel were given charge.

On June 3, 2021, PESB did not find anyone suitable from nine candidates, including two serving IAS officers, to head ONGC.

The ministry thereafter constituted a search-cum-selection panel and named Arun Kumar Singh, who had retired after attaining 60 years of age from BPCL, to head ONGC. Singh wasn't eligible to apply in the first place but the eligibility rule was changed to allow consideration of persons who have attained 60 years of age.

A similar but bigger age relaxation (allowing persons up to the age of 61 years to be considered) was being sought for IOC.

Existing rules for hiring board-level positions in PSUs allow consideration of candidature of an internal person with at least two years of service left before retirement and three years in case of outside candidates.

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Publication	Moneycontrol	Edition	Online Coverage
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The higher price for new gas makes the development of the projects viable, ONGC said, adding that it will help the company enhance productions in challenging fields.

Centre has notified higher price for gas produced from new wells of ONGC and Oil India, at 20% premium over the Administered Price Mechanism, ONGC informed stock exchanges on August 12.

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otherwise capital intensive and involve higher degree of risks. The guidelines align with the vision of increasing the share of natural gas in India's energy basket from 6 percent to 15 percent by 2030, ONGC added. Shares of ONGC and Oil India spiked in the final hour of trade, ending over 2.6 percent higher. Over the past five sessions, the shares of ONGC have risen by over 7 percent, while that of Oil India gained by 15 percent. New Projects at ONGC The board of ONGC recently approved Daman Upside Development project at Mumbai High at Rs 7,800 crore, to boost domestic gas production. The peak production from this project is expected to be around 5 MMSCMD. ONGC Board also approved another project under DSF-II, costing around Rs 6,000 crore with a peak production of around 4 MMSCMD of gas.

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Public sector Shipbuilders Mazagon Dock Shipbuilders Limited has announced that the company has bagged an order from ONGC worth Rs 4676 crores.

This is to inform that Mazagon Dock Shipbuilders Limited (MDL) received a Notification of Award of Contract on 08 August 2024 from Oil and Natural Gas Corporation Limited (ONGC) for Wellhead Platforms and Associated Pipeline Project (DSF-II) on EPC reimbursable basis (OBE) at the ceiling price of INR 4676,32,59,503/- (INR Four Thousand Six Hundred Seventy-Six Crores, Thirty-Two Lakhs, Fifty-Nine Thousand Five Hundred and Three only) including all taxes and duties (GST@12%), the company informed through exchange filing.

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New Delhi: Nandakumar Velayudhan Pillai has taken over charge as Director (Refinery) of Mangalore Refinery and Petroleum Corporation (MRPL), a Mini Ratna - Category 1, Schedule A, ONGC subsidiary with effect from August 8. Previously, he was serving as Group General Manager (Corporate Strategy) in the same organisation.

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The Ministry of Petroleum & Natural Gas (MoPNG), through its order dated August 7, 2024, has appointed him as Director (Refinery) with immediate effect.

Nandakumar is a Chemical Engineer and graduated with First Rank from Govt. Engg. College, Thrissur, Calicut University. He has also completed a Post Graduate Certificate Program in Management from T.A.Pai Management Institute, Manipal.

He is a seasoned refining industry expert with over 30 years of experience. He has been closely associated with all the major milestones in the organization's growth and has worked in Production Planning, Process Engineering, Operations and Project departments, as well as in the Refinery Head Office in various capacities. He served as Group General Manager, Corporate Strategy before he took over as Director Refinery at MRPL.

Nandakumar has a proven track record of leading high-value projects, including a $ 500 million investment portfolio during the Phase-3 expansion of the refinery. He is a strong advocate for collaborative work dynamics, innovation, team building, and mentoring.

Moreover, he contributes to Industry Standards as Convener to one of the Subcommittees of the Bureau of Indian Standards and also is part of a government-appointed task force for selecting Centres of Excellence in Plastics, Polymer, and Petrochemicals research.

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New Delhi: The government has approved the allocation of gas from Oil & Natural Gas Corporation's (ONGC) and Oil India Limited's (OIL) new wells at 20 percent premium over the administered price, said ONGC in a statement on Monday. MOP&NG has now notified the allocation of gas produced from new wells or well interventions from nominated fields of ONGC/OIL at 20 percent premium over the APM price, said ONGC.

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Gas pricing regime

The price of domestic gas in India is governed by two pricing regimes as of now. Gas produced from fields given to ONGC and OIL by the government on nomination basis, often called legacy fields, is priced at 10 percent of the prevailing price of crude oil that India produces. This price is, however, subject to a price cap of USD 6.5 per Metric Million British Thermal Unit (mmBtu). Because of the price cap imposed by the government, this pricing regime is known as Administered Price Mechanism (APM).

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Synopsis The government sanctioned a 20 per cent premium over the regulated price for natural gas from new ONGC wells to enhance production and address high capital and technological demands. This decision aligns with India's goal to increase the natural gas share in its energy mix from 6 per cent to 15 per cent by 2030.

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The ministry, it said, has now notified the allocation of gas produced from new wells or well interventions from nominated fields of ONGC/OIL at a 20 per cent premium over the APM price.

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The ministry of petroleum and natural sas on Monday allowed allocation of gas produced from new wells or well interventions from nominated fields

of state-owned upstream companies ONGC and Oil India at a 20% premium over the administered price mechanism (APM price) or the domestic natural gas price. The move is expected to make new gas development projects of the firms viable and help increase domestic production.

Following the notification, the gas produced from new wells in the nomination fields of and will attract premium of a total 12% of Indian crude basket price, as under the current policy, gas pricing is linked to crude price. Currently, the APM gas price is fixed at 10% of the Indian crude basket price, and revised by Petroleum Planning and Analysis (PPAC) on a monthly basis.

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The company said that the move will enhance its investment capacity to take up development projects which are otherwise capital intensive and involve higher degree of risks requiring commensurate prices.

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The implementation of the policy comes amidst the government's target of increasing the share of natural gas to 15% in the energy mix from the current 6% by 2030.

The country's sedimentary basins currently hold about 651.8 million tonnes of and 1,138.6 billion cubic meters of natural gas. India imports 85% of its crude oil requirements.

So far, the country's upstream sector companies have explored only 10% of the sedimentary basin. The government is now aiming to increase the explored area to 16% by the end of 2024 after the end of upcoming rounds of bids under Open Acreage Licensing Program.

The government also intends to increase the country's exploration acreage to 1 million square kilometers by 2030.

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The ministry, it said, has now notified the allocation of gas produced from new wells or well interventions from nominated fields of ONGC/OIL at a 20% premium over the APM price.

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"This will enhance the investment capacity in the company to take up development projects, which are otherwise capital intensive and involve a higher degree of risks requiring commensurate prices," it said.

ONGC Board has recently approved the Daman Upside Development project in its nominated field of Mumbai High for 7,800 crore for increasing domestic gas production, and the job has already been awarded for execution. The peak production envisaged from this project is around 5 million standard cubic metres per day.

The board has also approved another project integrated development of 4 contract areas under DSF-II at a project cost of 6,000 crore with peak production of around 4 mmscmd of gas where the government has already allowed pricing and marketing freedom under the DSF Policy. The job has already been awarded for the execution of this project.

"The implementation of policy decision aligns with the national vision of achieving the target of share of natural gas in the Indian energy basket from 6% to 15% by 2030," ONGC added.

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The implementation of the policy decision aligns with the National vision of achieving the target of share of natural gas in the Indian energy basket from 6 per cent to 15 per cent by 2030

State-run ONGC on Monday said, the Ministry of Petroleum & Natural Gas (MoPNG) notification on higher price for gas produced from new wells or well intervention in nomination fields of ONGC and Oil India will make new developments viable.

The MoPNG has notified that allocation of gas produced from new wells or well interventions from nominated fields of ONGC and Oil India (OIL) will be at 20 per cent premium over the administered price mechanism (APM) price, the exploration and production (E&P) major said.

The modalities for the same had to be worked out by the Directorate General of Hydrocarbon (DGH) for the approval of the Oil Ministry, it added.

As per the guidelines for domestic gas pricing, domestic natural gas price (APM Price) was fixed at 10 per cent of the Indian crude basket price as announced by Petroleum Planning and Analysis (PPAC) on a monthly basis.

The enhanced price for new gas will make new gas development projects viable and help ONGC to augment production of natural gas from nominated fields in challenging areas that require higher amounts of capital and technology, ONGC said.

This will enhance the investment capacity in the company to take up development projects which are otherwise capital intensive and involve higher degree of risks requiring commensurate prices, it added.

Recently, ONGC Board approved the Daman Upside Development project in its nominated field of Mumbai High at a cost of around 7,800 crore for increasing the gas production and the job has already been awarded for execution. The peak production envisaged from this project is around 5 million standard cubic meters per day (MSCMD).

ONGC Board has also approved another project on integrated development of four contract areas under DSF-II at a project cost of around 6,000 crore with a peak production of around 4 MSCMD of gas where the Centre has already allowed pricing and marketing freedom under Distributed Small Fields (DSF) policy. Job has already been awarded for execution of this project also, it added.

The implementation of the policy decision aligns with the National vision of achieving the target of share of natural gas in the Indian energy basket from 6 per cent to 15 per cent by 2030.

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New Delhi [India, August 12 (ANI): Petroleum and natural gas ministry has notified the allocation of gas produced from new wells or well interventions

from nominated fields of ONGC/OIL at 20 per cent premium over the APM price. APM is an Administrative Price Mechanism.

As per guidelines for domestic gas pricing, domestic natural gas price (APM price) was fixed at 10 per cent of the Indian Crude basket price as announced by Petroleum Planning and Analysis (PPAC) on a monthly basis.

It was provided in the guidelines that for the gas produced from new wells or well intervention in the nomination fields of ONGC/Oil India Limited, there would be a premium of 20 per cent over APM prices (total 12 per cent of Indian Crude basket price for new gas).

The modalities for the same had to be worked out by Directorate General of Hydrocarbon (DGH) for approval of Ministry of Petroleum and Natural Gas (MOP&NG), which the ministry has approved now.

The Ministry said the enhanced price for new gas will make the new gas development projects viable and help the ONGC to augment the production of Natural Gas from nominated fields in challenging areas that require higher amount of capital and technology.

Also, it will enhance the investment capacity in the company to take up development projects which are otherwise capital-intensive and involve higher degree of risks requiring commensurate prices.

ONGC Board has recently approved Daman Upside Development project in our nominated field of Mumbai High at a cost of Rs 7,800 crore for increasing the domestic gas production and job has already been awarded for execution. The peak production envisaged from this project is around 5 MMSCMD.

ONGC Board has also approved another project Integrated Development of 4 Contract areas under DSF-II at a Project cost of Rs 6,000 crore with a peak production of around 4 MMSCMD of gas where the central government has already allowed pricing and marketing freedom under DSF Policy. Job has already been awarded for execution of this project also.

The implementation of the policy decision aligns with the national vision of achieving target of share of natural gas in the Indian energy basket from 6 per cent to 15 per cent by 2030. (ANI)

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India’s state-controlled Oil & Natural Gas Corporation (ONGC) has awarded a sizeable offshore contract to a leading shipyard for additional offshore infrastructure required at a major west coast project.