



OIL begins gas production from Jaisalmer block

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OIL India Limited (OIL) on Monday announced the commencement of natural gas production from the Bakhritibba Discovered Small Field (DSF) in Jaisalmer.

As per the company, the initial gas production from Bakhritibba block currently stands at 67,200 standard cubic meters per day (SCMD), with plans to swiftly ramp up the output to 100,000 SCMD. OIL said this gas will be supplied to key entities, including GAIL (India) Ltd and the Rajasthan Rajya Vidyut Utpadan Nigam Ltd (RRVUNL), directly contributing to the region's energy needs.

Hardeep Singh Puri, petroleum minister, in a social media post on X, stated every hydrocarbon molecule produced fuels India's march towards energy security and self-reliance. "Heartiest congratulations to OIL on setting a benchmark by achieving fast monetisation from DSF III block by drilling 3 MWP wells within the development period leading to supply of 67,200 SCMD gas to GAIL/RRVUNL to be further enhanced to production of 100,000 SCMD gas from Bakhritibba block in Jaisalmer in Western Rajasthan," the minister said.

Oil India's natural gas production during FY25 increased by 2.20 % to 3.252 BCM and is the highest ever achieved by the company since its inception. Meanwhile, India's gross domestic natural gas production for April 2025 fell to 2,908 Million Standard Cubic Meters (MMSCM), marking a 1.7% decline from 2,958 MMSCM in April 2024.