



OIL AND NATURAL GAS CORPORATION LIMITED

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Sub: Clarification with respect to news article appeared on the Indian Express dated 18.01.18, titled "ONGC field shuts oil wells following damage to gas lines".

Sir/ Madam,

This has reference to your e-mail dated 18th January, 2018 on the captioned subject. In this connection we would like to submit herewith the clarification sought by the stock exchange(s).

Thanking You,

Yours faithfully,

For Oil and Natural Gas Corporation Ltd.



01/02/18

M E V Selvamm
Company Secretary

Encl: As Above (2 pages)

Ref: Mail dated 18th January from Company Secretary regarding newspaper article "ONGC field shut oil wells following damage to gas line"

The clarification sought in the mail is as under

Query	Reply
<p>S.L.No 1 <i>Whether such event published in the stated news are taking place, if so, you are advised to provide the said information along with the sequence of events in chronological order.</i></p>	<p>Gas leakage in a subsea pipeline at Neelam field, in Western offshore was reported on 02.01.2018 at 1158 hrs by a hired barge LTS 3000 of L&T Hydrocarbon Engineering (LTHE). The said barge was laying pipeline under Neelam Redevelopment Project.</p> <p>Leakage was suspected due to damage in the 8 inch Gas Lift Injection subsea lines feeding certain sector of unmanned platforms due to anchor drag in the process of recovering the anchor by the barge. The line was isolated and injection gas was resumed through alternate lines. However, oil and gas production from four unmanned platforms remained suspended due to non-availability of injection gas.</p> <p>Chronology of actions taken for repairs to resume production is as under:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> On 02.01.2018, IMR (Inspection Maintenance and Repair) vessel <i>HAL Anant</i> was mobilized by ONGC to assess the damage. It was found that there was extensive damage to sections of the pipeline which supplied injection gas to three unmanned platforms. The extent of damage was informed to LTHE on 03.01.2018 and they were asked to take up the repair the damage and restore the lines. LTHE agreed for the same and prepared a repair plan with no cost implication to ONGC. LTHE, after survey on 09.01.2018 completed engineering and fabrication on 11.01.2018 and transported material to offshore on 13.01.2018.
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Marine spread was mobilized to take up the repairs and post repairs, 22 wells were opened on 29.01.2018 and balance 06 wells on 30.01.2018. Production to the earlier level is expected to be restored by 10.02.18
<p>S.L.NO 2 <i>The material impact of this article on the company</i></p>	<p>Oil and Gas production from the affected unmanned platforms had to be stopped w.e.f 02.01.2018 due to the unavailability of injection gas and facilitate repair of the damaged gas injection line. However, this can be construed as deferred production due to pipeline damage and is likely to be recovered once injection gas is restored to the wells.</p>

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<p>S.L.NO 3</p> <p><i>Whether the company was aware of any information that has not been announced to exchanges under regulation 30 of Listing Regulations. If so, you are advised to provide the said information and the reasons for not disclosing the same to the Exchange earlier as required under Regulation 30 of the Listing Regulations</i></p>	<p>No.</p> <p>Damage to the Gas Injection line was an operational issue which was attended to by LTHE without any cost to ONGC. Moreover, the production loss during the period is only notional and is likely to be recovered as gas injection has already been started on 29.01.2018.</p> <p>There was no intention to hold back the information from the Stock Exchanges/Investor Community.</p>


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