



Press Release

Blowout in Gas Well of Oil India Limited at Baghjan, Tinsukia District, Assam

4th June 2020

Present Status of Well

Well is flowing Gas Uncontrollably

Updates:

- Pumping of water to the well through the casing valve is in progress to minimize chances of fire.
- Fabrication of Fit for purpose equipment (hydraulically driven mechanical transporter) at OIL workshop under the supervision of OIL & ONGC CMT Teams is in progress. Testing of equipment required for controlling of the well is in progress.
- Removal of wellsite debris is in progress. Development of approach road for removing above items and other equipment from the well site is in progress.
- Digging of water reservoir near well site plinth is completed. Preparation of area for placement of pumps of 2500 gallons capacity in progress. Arrangement for collection of required quantity of water from the source is in progress.
- Singapore based firm “M/s Alert Disaster Control” is being mobilised which is expected to reach the site shortly.
- OIL fire service and with mutual aids are stationed 24x7 at site since 27 -05- 2020 for continuously water jacketing the well to avert any eventuality. Presence of gas and air & water quality is being monitored at constant interval at strategic points. Layers of condensate deposited near the site are being picked up.
- All necessary supports for stay, food (including baby food), water, toilets, electricity and medical have been provided at the 4 (four) relief camps with support from District Administration and local organizations. A team of officials from OIL is at site to look after the relief camps.
- Ambulance with Para-Medical staffs are kept as standby. A team of National Disaster Response Force (NDRF) is being mobilized to look after the relief operation.
- OIL has engaged an NABET accredited consultant to carry out Environment Impact Assessment Study to examine impact on environment. The consultant team reached the site and work has started.
- OIL has approached CSIR – National Environmental Engineering Research Institute (NEERI), Nagpur and Wild Life Institute of India, Dehradun for conducting a detailed impact assessment studies.
