# THE FEASIBILITY STUDY ON EFFICIENCY OF DEVELOPMENT OF THE OIL FIELD ON THE LAND AND THE SHELF OF THE CASPIAN SEA WITH USE GRAVITATIONAL MODE OF PRODUCTION

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Traditional technologies of oil production on the land and the sea shelf have low coefficient of oil recovery, thus cause a huge loss to environment to what become frequent oil spills testify worldwide. In article the innovative way of development of oil fields allowing to increase significantly oil recovery by means of artificially created gravitational mode is described and also completely to exclude environmental pollution when developing offshore fields thanks to oil production by a dense grid of wells which are drilled from horizontal wells. In comparison with usual ways of oil production on the shelf, such as development, from bulk islands, oil platforms and platforms, this way has a number of technological and economic advantages. Experience of application of similar technologies around the world is considered. For comparison outputs of wells and capital expenditure on the example of oil fields Kyrykmyltyk and Kashagan in Kazakhstan are counted.

Keywords: oil, well, development, shelf, bulk island, efficiency, gravitation.

# ШАХТА-ҰҢҒЫМА ТӘСІЛІН ПАЙДАЛАНА ОТЫРЫП КАСПИЙ ТЕҢІЗІНІҢ ҚАЙРАҢЫНДАҒЫ ҚАШАҒАН МҰНАЙ КЕН ОРНЫН ИГЕРУ ТИІМДІЛІГІНІҢ

## ТЕХНИКАЛЫҚ-ЭКОНОМИКАЛЫҚ НЕГІЗДЕМЕСІ

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Құрлықта және теңізде шельфтегі дәстүрлі мұнай өндіру технологиялары қоршаған ортаға орасан зор зиян келтіре отырып, мұнай өндірудің төмен коэффициентіне ие, бұл бүкіл әлем бойынша мұнайдың жиі төгілуінен көрінеді. Мақалада жасанды түрде жасалған гравитациялық режим арқылы мұнай өндіруді едәуір арттыруға, сондай-ақ көлденең ұңғымалардан бұрғыланатын ұңғымалардың тығыз торымен мұнай өндіру арқылы Теңіз кен орындарын игеру кезінде қоршаған ортаның ластануын толығымен жоюға мүмкіндік беретін мұнай кен орындарын игерудің инновациялық әдісі сипатталған. Үйінді аралдардан, мұнай платформаларынан және платформалардан игеру сияқты қайраңда мұнай өндірудің әдеттегі әдістерімен салыстырғанда, бұл әдіс бірқатар технологиялық және экономикалық артықшылықтарға ие. Әлемде осындай технологияларды қолдану тәжірибесі қарастырылды. Салыстыру үшін Қазақстандағы Қырықмылдық және Қашаған мұнай кен орнының мысалында ұңғымалардың дебиттері мен күрделі шығындар есептелді.

Түйін сөздер: Мұнай, ұңғыма, игеру, шельф, үйінді арал, тиімділік, ауырлық күші.

# ТЕХНИКО-ЭКОНОМИЧЕСКОЕ ОБОСНОВАНИЕ ЭФФЕКТИВНОСТИ РАЗРАБОТКИ НЕФТЯНГО МЕСТОРОЖДЕНИЯ КАШАГАН НА ШЕЛЬФЕ КАСПИИЙСКОГО МОРЯ С ИСПОЛЬЗОВАНИЕМ ШАХТНО-СКВАЖИННОГО СПОСОБА

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Caspian University, Алматы, Казахстан, e-mail: bulbulmold@mail.ru Традиционные технологии добычи нефти на суше и морском шельфе имеют низкий коэффициент нефтеотдачи, при этом наносят огромный ущерб окружающей среде, о чем свидетельствуют частые разливы нефти по всему миру. В статье описан инновационный способ разработки нефтяных месторождений, позволяющий значительно увеличить нефтеотдачу за счет искусственно созданного гравитационного режима, а также полностью исключить загрязнение окружающей среды при разработке морских месторождений за счет добычи нефти плотной сеткой скважин, которые бурятся из горизонтальных стволов. По сравнению с обычными способами добычи нефти на шельфе, такими как разработка, с насыпных островов, нефтяных платформ и платформ, этот способ имеет ряд технологических и экономических преимуществ. Рассмотрен опыт применения подобных технологий в мире. Для сравнения подсчитаны дебиты скважин и капитальные затраты на примере нефтяных месторождений Кырыкмылтык и Кашаган в Казахстане.

Ключевые слова: нефть, скважина, разработка, шельф, насыпной остров, эффективность, гравитация.

Introduction. The oil and gas industry in Kazakhstan has traditionally been regarded as the leading activity that determines the main trends of economic development and growth in the country and has one of the greatest impacts on the welfare of Kazakhstanis. This state of affairs is explained by the presence of large oil and gas reserves in Kazakhstan, the high level of production of these raw materials in the country and the corresponding volumes of exports. Thus, according to various estimates, Kazakhstan's total oil and gas reserves are estimated at 11-12 billion tonnes, with daily production of oil and gas condensate in the country increasing from 0.52 million barrels (0.7% of world supply) to 1.97 million barrels (1.9%)of world supply) between 1997 and 2019. At the same time, from 1999 to 2018, the volume of Kazakhstan's oil and gas condensate exports increased from 47.1 million to 69.8 million tonnes.

Currently, one in four tonnes of oil in the world is recovered from the seabed. Offshore exploration drilling is taking place in more than 65 countries and covers shelves on all continents. Among them, Saudi Arabia, Great Britain, Mexico, Venezuela, and the United States are the countries producing the largest amount of oil offshore.

In recent decades, the share of oil and gas in the world fuel and energy balance accounts for more than 70 per cent of all energy sources. Taking into account the high environmental requirements of the public for the construction of nuclear and hydraulic power plants, it will increase even more in the future. In connection with this, specialists of oil and gas industry of all countries faced the problem of search, exploration, development and exploitation of continental shelf fields, turning it into a large base of hydrocarbon raw materials, where over 700 million tonnes of oil and 300 billion m3 of gas are produced annually. Oil and gas prospecting and exploration works in these zones are carried out in more than 70 countries, including the

Arctic regions of the USA and Canada. At the same time, the share of oil produced in 45 countries in the world production volume has already exceeded 28% and is expected to increase to 45-65% (approximately by 2020). Kashagan production in 2023 reached a record level of about 18.8 million tonnes [1].

The annual total cost of developing offshore oil and gas resources in developed and developing countries exceeds \$50 billion. The annual total cost of offshore oil and gas development in developed and developing countries exceeds USD 50 billion, of which about 25% is spent on prospecting and exploration. For example, more than 60 billion US dollars were spent on exploration of oil and gas resources in the British sector of the North Sea alone in 1965-1985, which made it possible to develop oil and gas resources in the 25 years after the development of the North Sea. For example, more than \$60 billion was spent on exploration of oil and gas resources in the British sector of the North Sea between 1965 and 1985, which made it possible to increase the level of oil production in the British sector to 124.4 million tonnes per year within 25 years after the start of the work. This success was due to the development of a proper strategy for prospecting, exploration, development, exploitation of the fields in this offshore region and the construction of the necessary technical means and facilities for this purpose.

In July 1999, the OKIOC International Consortium began drilling the first well on the East Kashagan structure using the Sun-Kar drilling barge. The well is located approximately 75 kilometres south-west of the city of Atyrau. On 24 July 2000, the well reached a depth of approximately 5,100 metres and OCIOC officially announced the discovery of the Kashagan oil and gas field offshore the Caspian Sea. An oil-bearing interval was discovered in Paleozoic carbonates at a depth of 4126 m (the interval is 61 m long and the whole oil-bearing formation is 1026 m) and oil flow rate of up to  $600 \text{ m}^3$  per day and gas flow rate of 200 thousand m3 per day were obtained. According to experts, the total reserves of oil and raw materials in the East Kashagan field are estimated at 7 billion tonnes, and the total of about 100 promising structures of Kazakhstan's Caspian shelf at 10-12 billion tonnes.

At present, the international consortium Agip KCO (formerly OKIOC) has drilled exploration wells on the Kashagan, South-West Kashagan, Aktoty, Kairan, Kalamkas Sea structures.

Another Kazakhstani offshore project is the development of two nearshore offshore blocks off the coast of the Kurmangazy and Isatai districts of the Atyrau region and includes exploration and development of the South Zhambai pre-salt structure and a number of above-salt structures, including South Zaburye. The works on these blocks are conducted by NC KazMunayGas JSC. Recently JSC «Kazakhstankaspiyshelf» completed the second stage of three-dimensional seismic survey, drilling of an exploration well is planned.

If all forecasts on oil reserves of Kazakhstan's part of the Caspian Sea shelf are confirmed, then in the near future Kazakhstan can safely count on a place in the seven countries with the largest crude oil reserves.

The experience of work on offshore oil and gas fields shows that for their effective development the traditional technical means and methods used on land are often unacceptable. In order to realise this problem, especially in connection with the development of the Arctic shelf and the increase in the depth of the sea, it is necessary to carry out complex research work and create special technical means and technologies. The practice of exploitation of the Caspian Sea reservoirs makes it possible to establish technical, technological and organisational conditions for the development of offshore deposits, oil and gas production, rational methods of their intensification, as well as the main factors ensuring the increase in oil recovery.

For the first time the gravitational way of oil production was applied in industrial scale in several countries, but didn't gain further development, as demanded construction of additional excavations (tunnels, mines, cross-cuts, etc.) though allows increase oil recovery of oil fields considerably. The most considerable industrial facilities [2-5] where the gravitational mode of production was applied.

Peshelbronn field in France where due to application of such way oil recovery increased from 17% to 43%.

OnSarata-Monteor field in Romania due to

application of the gravitational mode oil extraction reached 55 - 60%.

In 1939 development of the Yaregsky field of a deposit of heavy oil, with application of excavations and the gravitational mode, allowed to bring oil recovery to 50 - 60% is begun that it is much higher than a level, reached when developing oil fields of small and average viscosity by traditional methods.

For development of a field of Troms of II in the Norwegian Sea the option of replacement of expensive oil platforms with the tunnels gone from the land on 30 km to side of the sea [6] was offered.

The given examples show that artificially created gravitational mode when developing fields of light crude allows reach 60% of oil extraction and more. It can be also used for further development of fields of light crude where traditional ways of oil production sputtered out.

Today, oil and gas resources are depleted in most onshore oil and gas-bearing areas, and it is difficult to increase commercial reserves. In this connection, in recent decades, developed countries have sharply increased interest in the problem of developing oil and gas resources of the seas and oceans. The surface of the world ocean accounts for 71% of the Earth's surface, of which 7% is the continental shelf, which contains significant potential oil and gas reserves.

*The purpose* of this work to describe and show efficiency of the new gravitational way of development of fields of light and high-viscosity crude offered by us on the land and sea the shelf, excluding shortcomings of earlier known ways.

Methods and Materials. The northern Caspian Sea contains important bioresources, including populations of valuable food fishes, the waterfowl living in a coastal zone, and the most part of population of the Caspian seals.

Therefore oil operations in this territory should be performed carefully that there was the minimum impact on fragile ecology and bioresources of the area of the works which are of great importance for the population and economy of Kazakhstan and other Caspian states.

The giant Kashagan field is the largest discovery in the last four decades. Kashagan is one of the most complex industry projects in the world due to high levels of hydrogen sulphide, harsh offshore environmental conditions and engineering, logistics and safety issues. For sea flora and fauna oil spills and emissions can have catastrophic consequences as it took place in the Gulf of Mexico [7]. The example of open emission of oil with gas on a field Tengiz in 1985 is also instructive. The largest Kashagan field is located on the shelf of the Caspian Sea has similar geology with Tengiz.

In case of development of a field with application of the gravitational mode offered by us, the incidents described above are excluded as there is no contact of the sea with wells.

Thus, no weather conditions, and also a winter season influence oil production in the gravitational way, and production can be carried out 24 hours per day during the whole year [8].

The known technology provides creation of tunnels or other mountain developments below productive layer from which on this layer drill the draining trunks. For safety horizontal excavations usually create in the steady formations below layer providing reliable isolation from oil layer. In the offered way [9] the main shortcoming is need of drilling of the draining wells from below up, i.e. rising that is very problematic.

Deposits of natural bitumens and heavy oil, the preserved deposits with high-viscosity oil, the developed fields with considerable residual reserves of oil and in the long term a zone of a continental shelf [10, 11] can be objects of development with application of heat and forces of gravitation first of all.

**Results and Discussion**. For carrying out researches data on development of such fields in Kazakhstan as Kyrykmyltyk and Kashagan were used. Thus the method of research including the analysis and synthesis of known and settlement data is used.

For the purpose of increase of productivity of production wells, oil recovery of layers, environmental protection and safety of objects of oil and gas production, the innovative way of their opening and operation at which artificially created gravitational operating mode of layer throughout the entire period of operation of a field is provided is offered below, and on a surface there will be only one well. For this purpose in the above-lying breeds (roof) layers from a trunk of a vertical well, horizontal wells through which the field is opened with the vertical wells constructed underground by their drilling from top to down from a horizontal well are carried out. For conducting of the initial vertical well connecting with horizontal to Kashagan it is offered to use bulk islands of a certain design (fig. 1).

Thus coast of a construction are executed flat and on perimeter are filled up with shell rock waste, and from above a shell rock sub-standard waste of production of biologically active mineral minerals (quartz, bentonite, a shungit, a glaukonit or others) which clear and improve biological quality of water round the island (fig. 1).

Use of a cylindrical cavity allows to reduce load of an island body when drilling a vertical and horizontal well that excludes formation of cracks. Besides, at accidents the flowed-out oil will be isolated from hit in a cavity of the island and then in the sea and can be pumped out in special capacity at rescue and recovery operations.

Use of waste of production of biologically active mineral minerals (quartz, bentonite, a shungit, a glaukonit or others) allows to solve at the same time a problem of cleaning and improvement of quality of sea water round the island and recycling of production of a shell rock, and biologically active mineral minerals (quartz, a shungit, bentonite, a glaukonit or others).

Thus high technical and ecological reliability of a construction is provided and it isn't required considerable material inputs.



Figure 1- Scheme of a section of the hydraulic engineering construction (the bulk island for oil operations on the shelf)

On the shelf over the location of layer of hydrocarbons and where hydrochloric layer doesn't stretch, build usually bulk island I, the design [12] stated above through which pass a vertical well 2 up to one depth below than a level of the sole of hydrochloric layer 5, and also a horizontal well 6 passing on a roof of layer of hydrocarbons from which drill short operational wells the 7th diameter of d<sub>1</sub>

before crossing with layer of oil or gas, punch lower than a level of crossing them with layer and exploit them before the termination of the gushing mode then wells 7 deepen below layer. To pass to the gravitational mode of operation well should beadditionally drilled by thechisel of bigger diameter of  $d_2$  at such length that well volume with a big diameter of  $d_2$  was more than a volume of a well diameter of  $d_1$  (fig. 2).



Figure 2-Way of opening and operation of oil layers on the shelf and the land Figure 3-Well hub A

Thus, at the expense of gravitational force liquid (oil and reservoir water) will constantly follow from layer in a well with a diameter of d<sub>2</sub>. From a well diameter of d<sub>2</sub> reservoir liquid is pumped out by the pump as a result the constant gravitational operating mode of layer will be provided, and on the bulk island there will be only one well through which oil and gas will be given. At this way of opening of layers and oil production well productivity increases, oil recovery of layers increases, destruction conditions at operation of wells 2, 6 and 7 since all of them pass not through hydrochloric layer are eliminated. Also construction of a large number of bulk islands, allocation of the huge squares at surfaces under drilling of wells isn't required, and also length of mining wells 7 is reduced, pollution of the surrounding and marine environment decreases. Besides safety of oil objects, including from attacks from air increases at the military conflicts.

This innovative way of opening and development of a field can be used not only on the fields which are again opened, but also operating and fulfilled earlier. Thus it is possible to use more effectively all existing methods of increase of oil recovery of layers.

Technical and technological and economic calculations of efficiency of oil production are given below in the offered way (on the example of fields Kyrykmyltyk and Kashagan).

In technical and technological calculation we consider the Kyrykmyltyk field a vertical and horizontal well under the horizon of MI – A where there is the most viscous oil in comparison with other horizons, a deposit depth the smallest and the well operating this layer, most a nizkodebitna concerning other wells.

Basic data on the horizon of MI - A:

- layer depth – H=300 m;

- average permeability on layer –  $\kappa$ = 1377,4 *mD* = 1377,4 · 10<sup>-15</sup>*m*<sup>2</sup>;

- density of oil in layer conditions –  $\rho_{oil} = 885,6$  kg/m<sup>3</sup>;

- effective petrosaturated thickness of layer –  $h_{effective}$ = 11,2 m;

- average formation pressure  $-P_{layer} = 2,7 MPa;$ 

- dynamic viscosity of oil-  $\mu = 620 \text{ mPa}$ //sec;

- oil-bearing capacity contour radius  $-r_{\kappa} = 1300 \ m$ (deposit circular, with2,7×2,5 km parameters );

 $-r_c = 160 \cdot 10^{-3} \mathcal{M} \cdot e^{0.5} = 263 \cdot 10^{-3} \mathcal{M}.$ 

We choose the radius of a well equal-  $r_c$ =  $160 \cdot 10^{-3} \text{ M} \cdot e^{0.5}$ =  $263 \cdot 10^{-3} \text{ M}$ (from practical and theoretical data). The construction of a vertical site of a well goes up to the depth of 400 m that is depths of the productive horizon interesting us are 100 m lower. Length of the horizontal site of a well passed from a trunk of a vertical well along layer is equal 1500 m, that is the construction goes to the middle of a deposit as we conduct calculations only for one skilled well located on the center of a deposit. At further development with increase in number of wells on a deposit length of a horizontal site of a well can be extended, up to length of all deposit.

In the calculations given below it is shown increase in an output of a well and respectively a coefficient of oil recovery of layer at the scheme of its opening stated above. As the well is located on the center of a deposit and thus there is a plainly radialfiltration of liquid, we have the right to use a basic formula of Dupuis for calculation of an output of a well. Originally it has an appearance:

$$Q = V * S \tag{1}$$

where V – liquid filtration speed,

S – area of cross section of a well.

Speed of the V filtration of liquid and the area of S can be presented as:

$$V = \frac{\kappa}{\mu} \cdot \frac{\partial P}{\partial r} = \frac{\kappa}{\mu} \cdot \frac{P_{\rm nn} - P_{\rm c}}{\ln\left(\frac{r_{\rm k}}{r_{\rm c}}\right)} \cdot \frac{1}{r_{\rm c}}$$
(2)

$$S = 2\pi r_{\rm c} h \tag{3}$$

Therefore, substituting (2) and (3) in a formula (1) we receive a final formula of Dupuis:

$$Q = \frac{2\pi\kappa h}{\mu} \cdot \frac{P_{\Pi\Pi} - P_{\rm c}}{\ln\left(\frac{r_{\rm k}}{r_{\rm c}}\right)} \tag{4}$$

For Dupuy's formula offered innovative technology assumes some other air. At usual operation of wells pressure in a well is equivalent to pressure on a face of a well and it to equally hydrostatic pressure of a column of liquid which creates counter-pressure on layer,  $P_c = \rho g h$  The main idea of our innovative development is that we have no pressure of a hydrostatic column of liquid, i.e. Rc=0, isn't present counter-pressure on layer for the reason that oil under positive action of gravitation goes down, but not up as at usual operation.

Thus, we receive a modified formula of Dupuis for our technological conditions which can be presented as:

$$Q = \frac{2\pi\kappa h}{\mu} \cdot \frac{P_{nn}}{\ln\left(\frac{r_k}{r_c}\right)} \tag{5}$$

Owing to perforation of a well, we receive hydrodynamic - imperfect system on nature of opening. Therefore, in calculations we take the specified well radius. It is equal:

$$r_{\rm cnp} = r_{\rm c} \cdot e^{-c} \tag{6}$$

where, *C*- some geometrical characteristic determined by the known nomogram of Shchurov.

Then the output for our well, according to a formula (5) will make:

$$Q = \frac{2\pi\kappa h}{\mu} \cdot \frac{P_{\rm n\pi}}{\ln\left(\frac{r_{\rm k}}{r_{\rm c}}\right)} = \frac{2 \cdot 3.14 \cdot 1377.4 \cdot 10^{-15} \,{\rm m}^2 \cdot 11.2 \,{\rm m} \cdot 2.7 \cdot 10^6 \,{\rm Pa}}{620 \cdot 10^{-3} \,{\rm Pa} \cdot {\rm s} \cdot \ln\left(\frac{1300 \,{\rm m}}{0.263 \,{\rm m}}\right)} = 4.285 \,{\rm m}^3/{\rm cyr} = 3.795 \,{\rm r/cyr}$$
(7)

From calculation it is visible that the output of a well increased by 14 times in comparison with the current output equal to 0,3 m3/d from wells 90-M and 79 M.

We will carry out calculations for other horizons:

MII - And, B, B and MIII - B + MIV - And, operated respectively wells 16 - M and 21 - M in case the offered scheme would be designed under these productive layers (tab. 1).

Table 1 - Comparative table of outputs

Productive horizons	Current oil recovery, m3/day	Estimated oil recovery, m3/day
MI - A	0,3	4,285
MII - А, Б, В	5,5	37,129
MIII – Б + MIV - А	5,5	51,848

From table 1 we see that the greatest gain of an output in comparison with current occurred on the horizon of MI - And (I increased by 14 times) where there is the most viscous oil on all field therefore this innovative technology is highly effective for extraction high-viscosity, heavy oils.

We will calculate increase in coefficient of oil recovery in comparison with the current on one well in one year. We will take for calculation a well on the horizon of MI - A.

$$K_1 = \frac{Q_1}{Q_{\text{geol}}} \tag{8}$$

where  $K_{1}$  - the oil recovery coefficient (ORC) on present to the existing well - 90M,

 $Q_1$ - amount of the extracted oil from one well with a present output of 0,25 t/day in one year and it is equal:  $Q_1 = 0,25 t/day \cdot 365 \text{ days} = 91,25 \text{ t};$ 

 $Q_{geol}$  – geological stocks equal to 2210 thousand tons. Then substituting in a formula (10) the corresponding values we receive K1 = 0,004. Similar to it we will define K2 for the technology offered by us with an output equal 3,795 *t/day*,  $Q_2$ = 3,795 *t/day*× 365 days = 1385,175 t.

$$K_2 = \frac{Q_2}{Q_{\text{geol}}} \tag{9}$$

Calculations at the specified parameters show that K2 = 0,062.

The relation of  $K_2$  and  $K_1$  shows us efficiency of increase of annual oil recovery, on the technological scheme offered by us and it is equal to  $K_2/K_1 = 0,062/0,004 = 15,5$ , i.e. the increase in the coefficient oil recovery (COR) occurs by 15,5 times for high-viscosity oil. Many oil industry workers are skeptical about similar technologies, referring to high cost of conducting of horizontal wells.

Therefore for determination of economic efficiency of the way of opening offered by us, calculations of capital expenditure for the usual and offered by us ways are given below.

Calculation and comparison of capital expenditure, and also consequences of the usual and offered by us way for field conditions Kashagan depth 5 000m showed that the innovative way offered by us has a clear advantage (tab. 2).

Criterion	Name of a way of development	
Cincilon	Standardway (verticalwells)	Innovativeway
		(horizontal and vertical wells)
Capital investments, \$ million	13,04875	10,913812,5
Possibility of environmental	Very high (there is a contact	Low (there is no contact water,
pollution	water, hydrochloric layer well)	hydrochloric layer well)
Final oil recovery	0,3-0,4	0,6-0,8
Opportunity of damaging of the	High (there is a contact	Low (there is no contact
upsetting column because of	hydrochloric layer - a well)	hydrochloric layer - a well)
tension in a salt dome		

Table 2 - Comparative criteria of efficiency of ways of development

At depths of oil layers less than 5 000m the offered way will be even more effective.

**Conclusions.** Reorientation towards the development of offshore oil and gas fields is one of the most significant directions in the formation of

today's oil and gas production industry in the world. In connection with the growing needs of mankind for energy and raw materials, significant depletion of mainland resources, the development of offshore oil and gas fields, which is one of the most unsafe types of human activity, is becoming an increasingly urgent task. Development of the Kashagan field in the harsh offshore environment of the Northern Caspian Sea presents a unique combination of technological and supply chain challenges. These challenges are coupled with operational safety, engineering, logistics and environmental issues, making this one of the largest and most complex industry projects in the world.

The Northern Caspian is a very sensitive ecological zone and habitat for a variety of flora and fauna, including some rare species. The innovative methods of field development under consideration ensure environmental safety and are relevant and promising both for offshore fields and fields located close to the shore in water areas and river deltas in harsh climatic conditions.

A method of field development by shaft-andborehole method is proposed, which consists in carrying out vertical shafts on the bank of the reservoir, driving from them in the direction of the field transport, oil and gas and ventilation tunnels, construction of underground galleries above the deposits, drilling of wells for productive strata from them and oil and gas production with subsequent transportation through the underground tunnel system to the surface.

It is recommended to develop fields with application of horizontal wells from which the descending vertical wells are drilled for increase of oil recovery of layers and an exception of possibility of emission of oil in environment. The special design of the descending wells will allow to create artificially the gravitational mode that leads to repeated increase of outputs of wells and oil recovery of a field in general. Application of this wayis economically justified.

The way of opening and operation offered by us is protected by the innovative patent of Republic of Kazakhstan and can be introduced on oil fields, as in Kazakhstan, Russia, and abroad.

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