

Total ditches offshore exploration in SA

French oil major, Total, has put the brakes on its South African offshore oil and gas exploration plans, in favour of developing its two significant gas finds near Mossel Bay.



Deepsea Stavanger

Early estimates on the first field, Brulpadda, indicate that it holds between 500-million to over 1-billion barrels of oil equivalent.



Total makes significant gas find off Mossel Bay 8 Feb 2019

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The second, Luiperd, is expected to yield even more.



Second significant gas discovery in SA waters 29 Oct 2020

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This is despite concerns from the sector that the government is dragging its feet in finalising long-awaited upstream oil and gas legislation.



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