

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS
RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1421
ANSWERED ON 13.03.2023

PIPED NATURAL GAS IN ANDHRA PRADESH

1421. SHRI PRABHAKAR REDDY VEMIREDDY:

Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that the entire Andhra Pradesh has been covered under the City Gas Distribution for providing piped natural gas connection and also setting up of CNG stations;
- (b) if so, whether it is also a fact that not even a single PNG connection has been given in Nellore district of Andhra Pradesh out of the targeted 8.52 lakh connections;
- (c) if so, reasons therefor and the plan of action of Government to achieve the target; and
- (d) the status of setting up of CNG stations in Nellore district of Andhra Pradesh?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS
(SHRI RAMESWAR TELI)

(a) to (d): Providing Piped Natural Gas (PNG) connections and establishment of Compressed Natural Gas (CNG) stations, are part of development of City Gas Distribution (CGD) network and the same is carried out by the entities authorized by the Petroleum and Natural Gas Regulatory Board (PNGRB). After completion of 11-A CGD bidding round, authorization for CGD has been issued for entire Andhra Pradesh.

The development of CGD network, including commissioning of CNG Stations and providing of PNG connections are carried out by the CGD entities as per the Minimum Work Programme (MWP) targets provided by the PNGRB and techno-commercial feasibility. As per the MWP target, 8,52,111 PNG connections and 81 CNG Stations are to be established in Sri Potti Sriramulu Nellore District Geographical Area (GA) by 30.6.2029. As on 31.1.2023, 15 CNG stations have been established in this GA and no PNG connection has been provided by the CGD entity.
