

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS
RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION No. 1256
ANSWERED ON 10/03/2025

PNG COVERAGE FOR DOMESTIC USE

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

- (a) whether it is a fact that most of the Northern parts of the country are covered with Piped Natural Gas for domestic use;
- (b) if so, the details of the extent of coverage in the country ;
- (c) whether Government proposes to extend this arrangement of PNG for domestic use to the Southern parts of the country;
- (d) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor; and
- (e) the time by when the southern parts of the country, especially Tamil Nadu will be covered with Piped Natural Gas for cooking purposes?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS

(SHRI SURESH GOPI)

(a) to (e) Providing Piped Natural Gas (PNG) connections is a part of the development of City Gas Distribution (CGD) network and the same is carried out by the entities authorised by Petroleum and Natural Gas Regulatory Board (PNGRB) as per their Minimum Work Programme (MWP). After completion of 12/12A CGD bidding round, PNGRB has authorized entities for the development of CGD network in 307 Geographical Areas (GAs), including southern parts of India, covering almost 100% of the mainland area for the development of CGD network across the country. As on 31.12.2024, the authorized entities have provided approx 1.4 crore PNG (Domestic) connections across the country, including in Southern parts of the country.

In the state of Tamil Nadu, PNGRB has authorized 18 Geographical Areas (GAs) (1 GA spread over Puducherry (UT) & Tamil Nadu and 1 GA spread over Andhra Pradesh, Tamil Nadu and Karnataka), covering all the districts in the state for the development of CDG network. The GA-wise details along with target date of completion for establishing CGD network in the state of Tamil Nadu, as on 31.12.2024, is at **Annexure**.

Annexure

ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (a) to (e) OF RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1256 TO BE ANSWERED ON 10.03.2025 REGARDING PNG COVERAGE FOR DOMESTIC USE.

GA-wise details of CGD networks in the State of Tamil Nadu

S. No.	Geographical Area/ CGD Networks	State/ Union Territory	Authorized CGD Entity	Date of Authorization	Date of Target Completion	D-PNG (Nos.)	
						MWP target	Achievements (As on 31.12.2024)
1	Karaikal & Nagapattinam Districts	Puducherry (UT) & Tamil Nadu	Torrent Gas Private Limited	28-Sep-18	30-Sep-28	1,66,644	466
2	Kanchipuram District	Tamil Nadu	AGP CGD India Private Limited	26-Sep-18	31-Mar-30	1,151,111	5033
3	Chennai & Tiruvallur Districts	Tamil Nadu	Torrent Gas Chennai Private Limited	07-Sep-18	31-Mar-30	3,300,000	491
4	Coimbatore District	Tamil Nadu	Indian Oil Corporation Limited	12-09-2018 (New start date 01.04.2022)	31-Mar-30	9,12,783	31,843
5	Cuddalore, Nagapattinam & Tiruvallur Districts	Tamil Nadu	Adani Total Gas Limited	28-Sep-18	31-Mar-30	3,00,089	0
6	Ramanathapuram District	Tamil Nadu	AGP CGD India Private Limited	26-Sep-18	30-Sep-28	41,311	4,338
7	Salem District	Tamil Nadu	Indian Oil Corporation Limited	12-09-2018 (New start date 01.04.2022)	31-Mar-30	3,37,062	3,762
8	Tiruppur District	Tamil Nadu	Adani Total Gas Limited	13-Sep-18	31-Mar-30	3,75,005	468
9	Chittoor, Kolar and Vellore Districts	Andhra Pradesh, Tamil Nadu and Karnataka	AGP City Gas Private Limited	24-Apr-19	31-Mar-30	2295933	13032

10	Dharmapuri and Krishnagiri districts	Tamil Nadu	Indian Oil Corporation Limited	23-03-2022 (New Start date 01.01.2023)	31-Dec-30	1,619,227	1077
11	Tiruvannamalai, Villupuram and Kallakurichi districts	Tamil Nadu	Megha City Gas Distribution Private Limited	09/03/2022 (New Start Date 01/04/2023)	31-Mar-30	1,323,000	0
12	Ariyalur and Perambalur districts	Tamil Nadu	Megha City Gas Distribution Private Limited	15/03/2022 (New Start Date 01/04/2023)	31-Mar-30	419,400	0
13	Namakkal and Tiruchirappalli districts	Tamil Nadu	IRM Energy Limited	15-03-2022 (New Start date 01.04.2024)	31-Mar-32	1,774,000	248
14	Pudukottai, Sivaganga and Thanjavur districts	Tamil Nadu	Megha City Gas Distribution Private Limited	23/03/2022 (New Start Date 01/07/2023)	31-Mar-30	1,400,004	0
15	Madurai, Theni and Virudhnagar districts	Tamil Nadu	Indian Oil Corporation Limited	23-03-2022 (New Start date 01.01.2023)	31-Dec-30	2,846,696	1,595
16	Kanyakumari, Thoothukudi, Tirunelveli Kattabomala and Tenkasi districts	Tamil Nadu	Indian Oil Corporation Limited	23-03-2022 (New Start date 01.01.2023)	31-Dec-30	2,939,842	1,574
17	Dindigul and Karur districts	Tamil Nadu	Megha City Gas Distribution Private Limited	15/03/2022 (New Start Date 01/01/2023)	31-Mar-30	1,008,000	0
18	The Nilgiris and Erode districts	Tamil Nadu	Bharat Petroleum Corporation Limited	15-Mar-22	31-Mar-30	884,777	5,846
					Total	23094884	69,773

(Source – PNGRB)
