

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS

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**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO-148**  
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**EXPANSION OF CNG INFRASTRUCTURE NATIONWIDE**

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

- (a) the number of Compressed Natural Gas (CNG) stations operational as of May, 2025, including city-gas distribution coverage;
- (b) whether there has been measurable growth in CNG adoption for public and private transport; and
- (c) Government's roadmap for expanding CNG infrastructure across rural and semi-urban areas to promote clean mobility?

**ANSWER**

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS  
(SHRI SURESH GOPI)

(a) to (c) Establishment of Compressed Natural Gas (CNG) stations and laying of pipeline infrastructure is part of the development of City Gas Distribution (CGD) Network, which is carried out by the entities authorized by Petroleum and Natural Gas Regulatory Board (PNGRB) as per their Minimum Work Programme (MWP).

After the completion of the 12/12A CGD bidding round, PNGRB has authorized entities for development of CGD network in 307 Geographical Areas (GAs), covering the entire mainland area, including rural and semi-urban areas, for the development of CGD network across the country.

The number of CNG-operated vehicles in the country has increased over the past few years. As per the VAHAN dashboard maintained by the Ministry of Road Transport & Highways (MoRTH), the number of CNG vehicles registered was about 23 lakh in Financial Year (FY) 2014-15 which has increased to about 59 lakh in FY 2022-23, over 69 lakh in FY 2023-24, over 82 lakh in FY 2024-25 and over 91 lakh in FY 2025-26 (till Nov, 2025).

Over the past decade, there has been rapid expansion of CNG stations across the country. From 2014-15 to May, 2025, the number of CNG stations increased from 814 to 8,083 driving wider accessibility and adoption. This infrastructure boost has translated into a significant rise in CNG consumption, which climbed from 2,289 MMSCM in 2014-15 to 9,189 MMSCM in 2024-25.

As per MWP targets, authorised entities have to set up 18,336 CNG Stations and lay 5,46,867 Inch-Km pipeline infrastructure by 2034. As on 31.05.2025, the authorized entities have established 8083 CNG Stations and laid 5,98,533 Inch-Km pipeline across the country.

Laying of natural gas pipelines is carried out by the entities authorized by PNGRB. As of 30.06.2025, approximately 25,429 km of Natural Gas Pipeline (NGPL) network - including common carrier, spur line, tie-in connectivity, and dedicated pipeline - across the country is operational and 10,459 km of pipeline is under construction.

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