

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS
RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO - 930
ANSWERED ON – 27/07/2026

TRUCK DRIVER WELFARE FACILITIES

930 SHRI MEDA RAGHUNADHA REDDY:

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

- (a) whether Government has conducted any assessment regarding adequacy of Apna Ghar facilities along major freight and industrial corridors in the State of Andhra Pradesh;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether Government has identified National Highways and logistics corridors in the State of Andhra Pradesh requiring additional Apna Ghar facilities for truck drivers;
- (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) if not, the reasons therefor?

ANSWER

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

(a) to (e): In line with the Government's vision of enhancing the safety and well being of truckers and taxi drivers, the Public Sector Oil Marketing Companies under the Ministry of Petroleum and Natural Gas have launched an ambitious initiative named 'Apna Ghar' aimed at improving truckers' long haul journey across the country.

The facilities at 'Apna Ghar' include:

- Dormitories (10-30) beds
- Restaurants/Dhabas/Self-cooking areas
- Clean toilets
- Dedicated bathing areas (Houdas)
- Purified drinking water facilities

The selection of APNA GHAR sites are made through a systematic assessment of the existing Fuel Retail Outlet network along National Highways and other major highways carrying substantial commercial vehicular traffic. Preference is accorded to Retail Outlets located on key freight and industrial corridors, logistics routes, port connectivity roads, mining belts, manufacturing clusters, and other high-density truck movement corridors. Factors such as average daily truck traffic, proximity to industrial and logistics hubs, availability of adequate land for development of amenities, accessibility, are also taken into consideration while identifying the locations.

As on 01.07.2026, 840 'Apna Ghar' have been set up by Public Sector Oil Marketing Companies (OMCs) at Retail Outlets (ROs) along Highways across the country, including 59 in the state of Andhra Pradesh. Out of the 59, 58 are located on National Highways and 1 on State Highway.
