

LOK SABHA

STARRED QUESTION NO. *379

TO BE ANSWERED ON 7.01.2019

CNG Stations

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Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS पेट्रोलियम और प्राकृतिक गैस मंत्री be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of CNG stations opened in the country during the last five years;
- (b) the number of new CNG stations likely/proposed to be opened in Himachal Pradesh, Uttarakhand, Jammu and Kashmir and North-Eastern States during the next five years; and
- (c) whether the Government has any scheme/proposal to produce gas from organic waste and if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI DHARMENDRA PRADHAN)

- (a) to (c): A statement is laid on the Table of the House.

**STATEMENT REFERRED IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) to (c) OF THE LOK SABHA
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(a) The number of CNG stations opened in the country during the last five years is as under:

Year	Number of CNG Stations opened
2013-2014	63
2014-2015	43
2015-2016	72
2016-2017	152
2017-2018	191

(b) Petroleum and Natural Gas Regulatory Board (PNGRB) is the authority to grant authorization to the entities for the development of City Gas Distribution (CGD) network in Geographical Areas (GAs) as per PNGRB Act, 2006. The authorized CGD entities develop the Piped Natural Gas (PNG) network and Compressed Natural Gas (CNG) stations as per the work plan and techno-commercial viability to supply natural gas to households, vehicles, industrial and commercial units in their respective GAs.

Upto the 8th bidding round, there are 96 GAs in 23 States/ UTs where CGD network is accessible. PNGRB has granted authorization for additional 84 GAs in 9th CGD Bidding Round. Details of commitment of CNG stations made by CGD entities under 9th CGD bidding round in their work plan in the state of Himachal Pradesh, Uttarakhand, Jammu and Kashmir and North-Eastern States of the country are as under:

State	CNG stations as on 1.12.2018	Name of Geographical Area authorized during 9 th CGD bidding round	Number of CNG Stations (as per work plan of 9 th bidding round)
Assam	0	Cachar, Hailakandi & Karimganj Districts	21
		Kamrup & Kamrup Metropolitan Districts	51
Himachal Pradesh	0	Bilaspur, Hamirpur & Una Districts	10
Haryana & Himachal Pradesh	56 (Haryana)	Panchkula District (Except area already authorized), Sirmaur, Shimla & Solan (Except areas already authorized) districts	45
Tripura	8	Gomati District	6
		West Tripura (Except areas already authorized) District	6
Uttarakhand	1	Dehradun District	50

(c) Government is promoting the use of Compressed Bio Gas (CBG) generally known as Bio-CNG, which is purified and compressed biogas, produced through a process of anaerobic decomposition from various waste/biomass sources. In this direction, Oil PSUs have launched 'Sustainable Alternative Towards Affordable Transportation' i.e. 'SATAT' initiative. Under this initiative, Public Sector Oil Marketing Companies (OMCs) and GAIL have invited Expression of Interest (EoI) from potential entrepreneurs for establishment of 5000 CBG plants across the country with an estimated production of 15 MMT CBG per annum by 2023. OMCs and GAIL have offered Rs. 46/- per kg delivered price for procurement of CBG.